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ESSEX COUNTY

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Incorporated June 21, 1793

Area 14.99 sq. miles

Sixth Congressional District

Fifth Councillor District

Third Essex Senatorial District

Fifteenth Essex Representative District

## 1959 OFFICIALS

Congressman —William H. Bates of Salem

Councillor — Augustus G. Means of Essex

Senator — Philip A. Graham of Hamilton

Representatives (2) { Cornelius J. Murray of Beverly
Clarence S. Wilkinson of Beverly

County Commissioners (3) { C. F. Nelson Pratt of Saugus
Arthur A. Thompson of Methuen
John R. Ahern of Lawrence

*Population*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1920 | 1631 | (Federal Census) |
| 1925 | 2018 | (State " ) |
| 1930 | 2044 | (Federal Census) |
| 1935 | 2235 | (State " ) |
| 1940 | 2037 | (Federal Census) |
| 1945 | 2387 | (State " ) |
| 1950 | 2764 | (Federal Census) |
| 1955 | 4116 | (State " ) |

# 1959 TOWN OFFICERS

Elected and Appointed

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*Selectmen*

LAWRENCE LAMSON, Chairman

WILLIAM F. MACKENZIE — LAWRENCE R. STONE

*Board of Public Welfare*

LAWRENCE R. STONE, Chairman

LAWRENCE LAMSON — WILLIAM F. MACKENZIE

*Welfare Agent*

BERNARD A. CULLEN

*Board of Health*

WILLIAM F. MACKENZIE, Chairman

LAWRENCE LAMSON — LAWRENCE R. STONE

*Moderator*

PAUL F. PERKINS, JR.

*Town Clerk — Accountant*

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

*Treasurer*

EVERETT F. HALEY

*Tax Collector*

BERTHA L. CROWELL

*Assessors*

ROBERT H. CHITTICK, Chairman
Term expires 1962

ARTHUR L. BENNETT
Term expires 1960

ROBERT H. TRUSSELL
Term expires 1961

*Planning Board*

GEORGE C. CUTLER, JR., Chairman
Term expires 1960

PAUL F. PERKINS, JR., Resigned
W. WHITNEY LUNDGREN
Term expires 1961
HENRY A. LAUGHLIN, JR.
Term expires 1962

JOHN A. BICK, JR.
Term expires 1963
HENRY J. GOURDEAU
Term expires 1964

*Finance and Advisory Committee*

JOHN C. GARLAND, Chairman

CLARK S. SEARS
WILLIAM F. COX

DR. HAROLD D. MOSES
THOMAS G. STEVENSON

*Town Counsel*

STANDISH BRADFORD

*Registrars of Voters*

GEORGE MORROW, Chairman
Term expires 1960

ROBERT N. PEALE
Term expires 1961

JESSIE W. B. CUNNINGHAM, Resigned
Term expires 1962

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE, Clerk-Officio

*Chief of Police*

EDWARD H. FREDERICK

*Fire Engineers*

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, Chief

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

*Moth Superintendent*

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

*Tree Warden*

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

*Forest Warden*

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS

*Building Inspector*

LEON S. PERKINS

*Electrical Inspector*

ALBERT L. HAM

*Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering*

ERNEST M. BARKER

*Inspector of Milk*

ERNEST M. BARKER

*Sanitary Inspector*

PHILIP S. PLUMMER

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

ERVING O. MAXWELL, Deceased

GEORGE W. DIXON

*Dog Officer*

HUGH E. MacDONALD

*Civil Defense Director*

HARVEY E. BARNES

*Dental Clinic*

DR. JOHN KING, Dentist

FLORENCE L. STOBBART, Nurse, Retired

*Surveyor of Highways*

CHARLES F. POOLE

*Veterans' Agent*

LAWRENCE LAMSON

*Veterans' Service Director*

BERNARD A. CULLEN

*School Committee*

DONALD LANG MILLER, Chairman
Term expires 1962

RICHARD M. EMERY
Term expires 1960

MORLEY L. PIPER
Term expires 1961

JAMES EDWARD HALL
Term expires 1960

FREDERICK J. CALDWELL
Term expires 1962

*Superintendent of Schools*

JOHN H. LAWSON

*Trustees of Public Library*

JOHN F. NEARY, Chairman
Term expires 1961

JANICE P. PULSIFER
Term expires 1960

SARAH H. TRUSSELL
Term expires 1962

*Librarian*

LOUISE C. BROWN

*Park Commissioners*

RAY M. SANFORD, Chairman
Term expires 1962

ALBERT P. LOUGEE
Term expires 1960

GEORGE H. RICKER
Term expires 1961

*Park Superintendent*

HENRY J. STELLINE

*Water Commissioners*

RICHARD H. SMITH, Chairman
Term expires 1960

GORDON L. THOMPSON
Term expires 1961

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN
Term expires 1962

*Superintendent of Water Works*

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE

*Cemetery Commissioners*

PAUL S. TUCKER, Chairman
Term expires 1962

LUTHER M. CAVERLY
Term expires 1960

JOHN T. WALKE
Term expires 1960

*Cemetery Superintendent*

PHILIP S. PLUMMER

*Board of Appeals, under Protective (Zoning) By-law*

GEORGE G. BECKETT, Chairman
Term expires 1960

JOHN F. NEARY
Term expires 1961

COSTAS L. CARAGANIS
Term expires 1962

F. HARLAN CLOCK, Associate Member

*Board of Appeals, under Building By-Law*

JEROME F. FLYNN, Chairman

CLARK S. SEARS

CARL POEHLER, JR.

W. WHITNEY LUNDGREN

LAWRENCE C. FOSTER

*Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark*

THEODORE E. JOHNSON

LEON S. PERKINS

ERNEST M. BARKER

ERNEST R. MacGREGOR

*Field Drivers*

GEORGE MORROW

ERNEST M. BARKER

WILLIAM W. BANCROFT

HAROLD M. DODGE

*Fence Viewers*

JAMES S. MacLAREN

HAROLD A. DALEY

GEOFFREY SARGEANT

*School Needs Study Committee*

Authorized by Annual Town Meeting held March 1, 1954

JAMES E. HALL, Chairman

FREDERICK J. CALDWELL — ALLAN MacCURRACH

GEORGE C. CUTLER — RICHARD M. EMERY

JOHN H. LAWSON — JOHN F. NEARY

HENRY J. GOURDEAU

*School Building Committee to Construct New Elementary School*

Authorized by Special Town Meeting held June 5, 1958

FREDERIC WINTHROP, Chairman

MORLEY L. PIPER — HENRY J. GOURDEAU

FREDERICK J. CALDWELL — DONALD L. MILLER

MALCOLM E. DOUGLASS — JOHN F. NEARY

ELMER H. SMITH

*Interim Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District Committee*

Hamilton Members

JAMES E. HALL — RICHARD PRESTON

JOE Y. JACKSON

All Terms expire 1960

# REPORT

of the

# TOWN CLERK

1959

# REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

I submit herewith my sixteenth annual report as Clerk of the Town of Hamilton.

During the year 1959 the elections and town meetings consisted of the Annual Town Meeting and Election held March 2nd and 10th respectively; a Special Town Meeting held June 9th. A detailed report of each is printed in the town report as part of the Town Clerk's report.

A list of births, marriages, and deaths recorded during the year is also included as a part of the Clerk's report. In many cases the record of a birth in another community is not received in time to be included in the town report. In such cases, the birth is recorded as soon as it is received in the office and becomes a record in the town even though not printed in the town report.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to all the townspeople and town officials who have assisted me in my duties during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Town Clerk

# REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

## Held in the High School Auditorium, March 2, 1959

### AND OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION HELD MARCH 10, 1959

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MODERATOR: John H. Perkins

ELECTION OFFICERS

*Checkers*

Philip C. Hopkins
Hazel E. Cram
George Morrow
Catherine L. Clarizia
Edward J. Ready

*Counters*

Jessie W. B. Cunningham
Hazel M. C. Bray
Virginia Healey
Jean T. Austin
Thomas A. Sargent
Robert N. Peale
Agnes C. Noyes
Lillian E. Oser
Mary T. Greeley

*Police*

Robert W. Poole
Edward H. Frederick

*Town Clerk*
Francis H. Whipple

The Moderator, Mr. John H. Perkins, opened the meeting at eight o'clock (8:00) in the evening on Monday, March 2, 1959.

Reverend Robert P. Perry offered the invocation.

Moderator: "The first business of the evening is Article 2: "To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That four field drivers and four measurers of wood, lumber and bark be elected by the meeting from the floor and that the field drivers be nominated and elected first and the measurers of wood, lumber and bark immediately following."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That Harold M. Dodge, George Morrow, William W. Bancroft and Ernest M. Barker be elected field drivers for the ensuing year."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That Theodore E. Johnson, Ernest R. MacGregor, Ernest M. Barker and Leon S. Perkins be elected measurers of wood, lumber and bark for the ensuing year."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 3. Moderator: "To hear the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: "That the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other Committees as printed in the town report for 1958 be received and placed on file, and that the Union Health Department Study Committee be discharged with thanks and appreciation of the services rendered by the members thereof."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 4. Moderator: "To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways, and all other Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same."

Remarks by Mr. John Garland, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Moderator: "As has been our established custom I shall read the amounts recommended by the Finance and Advisory Committee and if anybody wishes to debate any of the items just say 'Pass' and we will take those items up in order after the others have been passed as a whole."

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| Finance and Advisory Committee: | | |
| Expenses | $ | 15.00 |
| Selectmen: | | |
| Salaries | | 1,150.00 |
| Expenses | | 4,400.00 |
| Town Accountant: | | |
| Salary | | 4,550.00 |
| Expenses | | 400.00 |
| Treasurer: | | |
| Salary | | 1,751.00 |
| Expenses | | 525.00 |

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| Tax Collector: | |
| Salary | 2,184.00 |
| Expenses | 1,100.00 |
| Assessors: | |
| Salaries and Wages | 2,500.00 |
| Expenses | 650.00 |
| Law: | |
| Salary | 800.00 |
| Expenses | 1,200.00 |
| Town Clerk: | |
| Salary | 1,200.00 |
| Expenses | 6,200.00 |
| Planning Board: | |
| Expenses | 200.00 |
| Election and Registration: | |
| Expenses | 1,800.00 |
| Town Hall: | |
| Salary | 3,385.00 |
| Expenses | 3,000.00 |
| Repairs, Painting, etc. | 2,500.00 |
| Police: | |
| Salaries and Wages | 19,209.00 |
| Expenses | 3,300.00 |
| Fire: | |
| Salaries and Wages | 2,600.00 |
| Expenses | 3,850.00 |
| Police and Fire Station: | |
| Maintenance | 1,350.00 |
| Former Fire Station: | |
| Maintenance | 400.00 |
| Painting | 400.00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures: | |
| Salary | 230.00 |
| Expenses | 100.00 |
| Moth — Town: | |
| Salary of Superintendent | 2,215.00 |
| Wages | 1,368.00 |
| Expenses | 850.00 |

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| Moth — Private: | |
| Expenses | 300.00 |
| Tree Warden: | |
| Salary of Warden | 1,802.00 |
| Wages | 2,800.00 |
| Expenses | 160.00 |
| Pruning Elms | 1,200.00 |
| Planting Trees | 300.00 |
| Civilian Defense: | |
| Expenses | 1,150.00 |
| Health: | |
| Salaries and Wages | 180.00 |
| Expenses | 1,500.00 |
| Milk Inspector | 75.00 |
| Animal Inspector | 140.00 |
| Dental Clinic: | |
| Salary of Nurse | 300.00 |
| Expenses | 3,600.00 |
| Sanitation: | |
| Garbage and Refuse Disposal | 18,496.00 |
| Highways: | |
| Salary of Surveyor | 4,017.00 |
| Wages | 23,887.00 |
| Expenses | 10,945.00 |
| Chap. 90 — Maintenance | ($1,000.00) |
| Chap. 90 — Construction | ( 3,500.00) |
| Snow Removal and Sanding | 10,000.00 |
| Street Lighting | 11,300.00 |
| Sidewalks | 1,000.00 |
| Gravel Roads | 5,000.00 |
| Public Welfare: | |
| Salaries | 120.00 |
| Expenses | 5,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 24,000.00 |
| Administration | 2,750.00 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 3,000.00 |
| Disability Assistance | 11,000.00 |
| Veterans' Benefits: | |
| Expenses | 5,500.00 |

# THE EMERGENCY REPORTING CENTER

## FOR
## EMERGENCY FIRE OR POLICE
## DIAL: HO 8-4421
## (After 3:00 A.M. May 1, 1960)

On May 1, 1960 an Emergency Fire and Police Reporting Center will go into operation concurrent with the dial conversion of the Hamilton telephone exchange. This center, located in the Hamilton Fire and Police Station, will be manned 24 hours a day and will be the dispatching station for the Fire and Police Departments of both Hamilton and Wenham.

In the Emergency Center are large wall maps of the two Towns; a magnetic "call board" indicating the location and "ready" condition of all Fire and Police vehicles; special telephone arrangements for answering calls and alerting, via direct lines, the Fire and Police Stations; the Fire Department assembly—call boxes; the base station radio transmitter and receiver of the new Fire and Police mobile radio system; and a CONELRAD radio alerting receiver. The room is laid out utilizing a U shaped desk with all the items within easy reach of the dispatcher for maximum operating convenience. Wherever possible, color codes and symbol shapes are used to save time and prevent errors.

A citizen requiring Emergency Assistance such as Fire, Police, Ambulance, etc., will dial HO 8-4421, three lines are available under this number. He will report the nature of his emergency and MUST give his name, street address and—of paramount importance—his TOWN. Failure to give the TOWN name can cause great loss of time in trying to locate the site of the emergency.

It must be remembered that the Emergency Center is for the protection of all the citizens of Hamilton and Wenham. Only calls of an EMERGENCY nature should be made to the HO 8-4421 number. Calls such as requests for a fire location or whether school sessions will be held MUST NOT be made, as the dispatcher will be distracted from his work and the Emergency lines will be unnecessarily tied up completely preventing anyone else requiring Emergency Assistance from reaching the Emergency Dispatcher. Normal Police calls should be made to the regular Police number listed in the Directory.

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FOR

EMERGENCY FIRE OR POLICE

DIAL: HO 8-4421

(After 3:00 A.M. May 1, 1960)

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| **Education:** | |
| General Control Expense | 18,298.00 |
| Expense of Instruction | 270,318.94 |
| Textbooks and Supplies | 16,962.69 |
| Operation of Plant | 33,613.00 |
| Maintenance and Repairs | 8,225.00 |
| Auxiliary Agency | 30,594.00 |
| Outlay for Equipment | 4,782.00 |
| Vocational | 1,000.00 |
| **Library:** | |
| Salaries and Wages | 3,808.00 |
| Expenses | 3,100.00 |
| **Parks:** | |
| Salary of Superintendent | 4,017.00 |
| Salary of Instructors and Clerk | 1,100.00 |
| Labor | 3,090.00 |
| Expenses | 2,920.00 |
| Equipment | 3,550.00 |
| Pensions | 8,004.38 |
| **Unclassified:** | |
| Town Reports | 2,400.00 |
| Memorial Day | 700.00 |
| Town Clock | 100.00 |
| Veterans' Quarters | 1,000.00 |
| Insurance | 9,500.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 4,000.00 |
| **Water Department:** | |
| Salary of Superintendent | 4,017.00 |
| Wages | 7,000.00 |
| Expenses | 18,470.00 |
| Extension of Mains | 6,500.00 |
| **Cemeteries:** | |
| Salary of Superintendent | 3,500.00 |
| Salary of Clerk | 300.00 |
| Salaries of Commissioners | 75.00 |
| Wages and Expenses | 1,100.00 |
| **Maturing Debt and Interest:** | |
| Maturing Debt | 95.000.00 |
| Interest | 29,000.00 |

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the various recommendations of the Finance and Advisory Committee be approved and the sums recommended be appropriated."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 5. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction to be expended for its share of the work, and that available funds may be used while carrying on the work until the Town is reimbursed for the State and County share of the work."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 6. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance of various streets in town, or take any action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000 for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance of various streets to be expended for its share of the work, and that available funds may be used while carrying on the work until the Town is reimbursed for the State share of the work."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 7. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to construct, originally equip and furnish a new library building, and for said purposes (a) to employ an architect, and let contracts and (b) to transfer to the custody and control of the Library Trustees from the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen a parcel of land on Bay Road on which said Library shall be located, such parcel being of approximately 200 feet on Bay Road and approximately 200 feet deep, and lying between the New Fire House and the new Elementary School, as more fully shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk; and for the foregoing purpose to raise and appropriate a sum of money, and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised, whether by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer of available funds, or otherwise, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. John Neary and duly seconded: "That the Library Trustees be authorized to construct, originally equip and furnish a new library building, and for said purposes a parcel of land on Bay Road of approximately 40,000 square feet lying between the Fire House and the new Elementary School being of 200 feet in frontage and 200 feet in depth as more fully shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk be

transferred to the custody of the Library Trustees, and that for said purposes the sum of $1,000 be appropriated and the sum of $89,000 be borrowed and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to issue at one time or from time $89,000 principal amount of bonds or notes of the town, said bonds and notes to be payable in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and that the Board of Library Trustees be authorized to employ an architect and to proceed with the foregoing work, to enter into all necessary or proper contracts or agreements, and to do all acts or things necessary or convenient to obtain said loan and to carry out such work with full powers in the premises.''

Remarks by Mr. John Neary, Mr. Thomas G. Stevenson and Mr. Everett F. Haley.

Moved by Mr. Roger Taylor that the motion be tabled. Motion lost, and action reverted to the main motion.

Moved by Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded that the motion be amended by striking out $89,000 and substituting therefor the sum of $49,000. The Moderator read the motion as amended, and explained that the vote would be on the amendment and not the main motion. By a voice vote the motion to amend was defeated.

The Moderator called for a standing vote on the main motion, with 184 in favor, and 218 opposed. Moderator declared the motion defeated.

Article 8. Moderator: ''To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Cruiser-Ambulance for use of the Police Department, provide for the turning in of the present cruiser toward the purchase price thereof, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: ''That the Town purchase a new Cruiser-Ambulance for use by the Police Department, and that the present vehicle be turned in toward the purchase price thereof and that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for the balance of the purchase price, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby is authorized and empowered to take all necessary action to make such purchase on behalf of the town.''

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 9. Moderator: ''To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new truck cab and chassis for use by the Health Department primarily for garbage collections, provide for the turning in of the present Chevrolet cab and chassis toward the purchase price thereof, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town purchase a new truck cab and chassis for use by the Health Department primarily for garbage collection, and that the present cab and chassis be turned in toward the purchase price thereof and that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000 for the balance of the purchase price, and that the Board of Health be and hereby is authorized and empowered to take all necessary action to make such purchase on behalf of the Town."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 10. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring and installing two-way radio communication equipment for use by the police, fire and other Town departments, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town purchase and install two-way radio communication equipment for use by the police, fire or other Town Departments, and raise and appropriate the sum of $2,000 for such purposes, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby is authorized and empowered to take all necessary action to make such purchase and installation on behalf of the Town."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 11. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to lease for the purposes of a town dump a parcel of land now or formerly of Gordon College of Theology of approximately seven acres situated on 'Proprietors Road,' so-called, near the Manchester-Hamilton town line, for a period of five years at an annual rental of $50, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town lease for the purposes of a town dump a parcel of land now or formerly of Gordon College of Theology of approximately seven acres situated in 'Proprietors Road,' so-called, near the Manchester-Hamilton town line, for a period of five years at an annual rental of $500, and that the Board of Health be and hereby is authorized and empowered on behalf of the Town to execute an agreement and lease therefor."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 12. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of $2,000 appropriated under Article 11 of the warrant for the 1957 Annual Town Meeting (for the purpose of providing a water main on the town dump, and not expended for such purpose) to provide a water pipe to the new town dump near the Manchester line the lease of

which is referred to in Article 11 of this warrant, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Board of Health to install water pipe and hydrant for fire protection at the new town dump near the Manchester-Hamilton town line, and that the $2,000 appropriated under Article 11 of the warrant for the 1957 annual town meeting be transferred for such purposes."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 13. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to acquire by purchase or eminent domain a parcel of land belonging to Massachusetts Audubon Society of approximately five acres as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, such land if acquired by purchase to revert to said Massachusetts Audubon Society if not used for water purposes for a period of twenty-four consecutive months, and to acquire adequate rights of way thereto, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefore, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Gordon Thompson and duly seconded: "That the Board of Water Commissioners is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or by eminent domain under Chapter 79, General Laws of Massachusetts, or otherwise, the fee in all or a part of a parcel of land in the Pleasant Pond area of Hamilton consisting of approximately five acres, with rights of way thereto from Lake Drive as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled 'Plan of Proposed Land Acquisition from the Massachusetts Audubon Society, Feb. 10, 1959, Charles H. Morse & Son, Mass. Reg. No. 1378, Haverhill, Mass.,' such land if acquired by purchase from the Massachusetts Audubon Society to revert to the present owner if not used for water purposes for a period of twenty-four consecutive months, and for said purposes the sum of $10.00 is hereby appropriated."

Moderator: "In view of the fact that this land may be purchased or acquired by eminent domain this motion requires a 2/3 vote."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 14. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for mosquito spraying in the Town, the work to be done under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Motion made by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: "That the sum of $2,500 be raised and appropriated for mosquito control by spraying in the Town, the work to be done under the direction of the Board of Selectmen."

Vote on motion as amended.

Voice vote. Motion carried.

Article 15. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Cemetery Sales of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for improvements to the Town Cemetery, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. John T. Walke and duly seconded: "That the Town transfer the sum of $500 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for improvements to the Town Cemetery."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 16. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $4,000 from the Overlay Reserve Fund to the Reserve Fund, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Thomas G. Stevenson and duly seconded: "That the sum of $4,000 be transferred from the Overlay Reserve Account to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund."

Voice vote. Unanimously carried.

Article 17. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use available funds or 'free cash' in an amount not to exceed the sum of $30,000 in determining the tax rate for the year 1959, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Dr. Moses and duly seconded: "That the Board of Assessors be authorized to use available funds or 'free cash' in an amount not to exceed the sum of $30,000 in determining the tax rate for the year 1959."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 18. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way an extension of Postgate Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town accept as a public Town Way an extension of Postgate Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled 'Plan for Acceptance of Postgate Road, Hamilton, Mass., Feb. 1959, Kenneth W. Richardson, Mass. Reg. Land Surveyor.'"

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 19. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way an extension of Chebacco Road from the terminus of the existing town way to the Manchester line as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: "That the Town accept as a public Town Way an extension of Chebacco Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled 'Acceptance Plan of Chebacco Road Extension, Hamilton, Massachusetts, February 5, 1959, Chas. H. Morse & Son, Engrs.' "

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 20. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to accept Hatfield Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town accept as a public Town Way Hatfield Road as laid out by the Board of Selectmen and shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk entitled 'Plan of Hatfield Road for Acceptance, Dec. 1947, Chas. H. Morse, Engineer.' "

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 21. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the town way known as Dodge Street, leading off Highland Street, and authorize the Selectmen to release any interest the Town may have in said way, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town discontinue the way known as Dodge Street so-called, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to release any interest the Town may have in said way."

Moderator: As this is really abandonment of property it requires a ⅔ vote."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 22. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to change Section IV, Paragraph (5) of the Protective By-Law to read as follows: '(5) Educational, municipal, or municipal recreational building and uses.', or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

The Chairman of the Planning Board has requested permission to read a report recently taken by his board and the chair will grant that permission."

Moved by Mr. George C. Cutler Jr. and duly seconded: "That the Protective By-Law of the Town be amended by striking out Paragraph (5) of Section IV and inserting in place thereof the following: '(5) Educational, municipal, or municipal recreational buildings and uses.' "

"This is a report on the public hearing held by the Board on February 20, 1959 regarding four proposed amendments to the existing protective by-laws which protects the citizens of the Town of Hamilton and it reads 'At a public hearing on Friday, February 20, 1959 the Hamilton Planning Board considered amendment to Section 4, Section 5, Section 6 of the Protective By-Laws and the zoning matter.' As a result of this hearing the Hamilton Planning Board makes the following recommendation. 1. The adoption of the change to Section 4, paragraph 5. The purpose of this amendment is to make clear that a municipal use such as a library, a Fire or Police Station, Pumping Station or well is permissible in a residential district. 2. The indefinite proposal of the change of Section 5 defines the same set back and heighth limitations in a business district as in a residential district. The reason for this indefinite postponement is to give the matter of set back requirements in the business district further study. 3. The indefinite proposal of the change of Section 6, sub-paragraph 4 providing that no building shall be within 20′ of any other building or accessory building. This change would be desirable because of the close proximity of dwellings in certain parts of the town but the Board recommends that further study be given because of the difficulty of applying this provision equitably. Furthermore, Section 6 presently contains the provision that no building shall be within 10′ of the lot line and that only one residence dwelling may be on a lot in a residence district. 4. The indefinite postponement of the area change on the southerly side of Essex Street between Woodbury Street and Chebacco Road to a depth of 200′ from residence district B 40,000 square feet to residence District A 20,000 square feet. This came and was originated by a citizen of the Town living in the proposed area and the purpose of the change was so that the citizens proposing changing it could build two dwellings on a lot approximately 41,000 square feet upon which only one dwelling can now stand. In the opinion of the Board, if changes of this nature are made, the entire existence of the zoning is jeopardized."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 23. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to change Section V of the Protective By-Law by inserting two sentences at the beginning of Section V to read as follows: 'No building in a business district shall be within twenty (20) feet of the street line. The height limitations of Section VI, Paragraph 3, applicable to a residence district shall also apply in a business district,' or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. George C. Cutler Jr. and duly seconded: "That the

Protective By-Law of the Town be amended by inserting the following at the beginning of Section V. 'No building in a business district shall be within twenty feet of the street line. The height limitations of Section VI, Paragraph 3, applicable to a residence district shall also apply to a business district.'" Discussion by Dr. Albert R. Larchez, Mr. George C. Cutler, Jr., Mr. George G. Beckett and others.

Mr. George C. Cutler, Jr.: "There seems to be some confusion. The Planning Board has recommended this motion be indefinitely postponed. We haven't recommended the adoption of this motion. Because of the hearing at which objections such as the one you have just heard, was brought up we have made this recommendation of postponement. The reason that we considered this amendment in the first place was because we have been conscious and I think many of the citizens of the town have been conscious of situations in certain parts of the town particularly Railroad Avenue and Bay Road where cars are parked on both sides of the street which leaves a very narrow passage and what we hope to prevent is congestion. One of the ways we think this may be met is by providing for a building set back in some parts of the industrial areas or all industrial areas of the town. Now we realize that this proposed amendment may be hard on some of the property owners in the industrial area and they vocalize their feelings very strongly and it is because of their feelings that we now suggest that this by-law be indefinitely postponed."

Moderator: "Is there any further discussion? Motion made and seconded that this article be postponed indefinitely. Now this is a debatable motion. Are there any questions?

Dr. Albert Larchez: "I make an amendment to the motion that this issue if it is to be brought before the voters be brought only at the Annual Town Assembly or Town Meeting and not at a special town meeting."

The Moderator repeated the amendment inserting "this will only be taken up at an Annual Town Meeting."

Voice vote. Amendment carried.

Motion as amended to postpone this article carried.

Article 24. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the Protective By-Law by adding a new sentence at the end of Paragraph 4 of Section VI to read as follows: 'No building or its accessory building shall be within twenty (20) feet of any other building or its accessory building,' or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Mr. George C. Cutler, Jr.: "I would like to make a motion that this article also be indefinitely postponed and to satisfy anybody who thinks

the Planning Board is trying to get something through at a Special Town Meeting I would like to make a motion this article be indefinitely postponed to an Annual Town Meeting.''

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 25. Moderator: ''To see if the Town will vote to amend the Protective By-Law by changing the area on the southerly side of Essex Street between Woodbury Street and Chebacco Road to a depth of two hundred (200) feet from Residence District B to Residence District A as shown on 'Zoning Map, Hamilton, Massachusetts' filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. O'Hara and duly seconded: ''That the Protective By-Law of the Town be amended by changing the area on the southerly side of Essex Street between Woodbury Street and Chebacco Road to a depth of 200 feet from Residence District B to Residence District A as shown on 'Zoning Map, Hamilton, Massachusetts' filed with the Town Clerk.''

Moderator: ''This will require a ⅔ vote.''

Standing vote. 116 opposed. 155 in favor. Motion defeated.

Article 26. Moderator: ''In view of the fact it is getting late I will pass this on to Mr. Lamson to make the motion.''

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: ''That the Electrical By-law of the Town be amended by striking out Article 5 and 6 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Article 5. — Fees

The following Fees shall be collected before an electrical permit is issued:

New Construction:

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| Residential Home (New) (up to 75 outlets) | $5.00 |
| For each twenty-five additional outlets | .25 |
| New Service | 2.00 |
| Temporary Service | 1.00 |
| Additions or Alterations: | |
| Up to 25 outlets | 1.00 |
| Each 25 additional outlets or fractional part thereof in excess of 25 | 1.00 |

Motors:

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| For each motor installed up to and including one horsepower | .50 |
| For each additional horsepower in excess of the one horsepower | .25 |

Heating Devices:

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| For first 2,000 watts or less | .50 |
| For each additional 5,000 watts or fractional part | .50 |

Commercial Building:

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| For each $1,000 Valuation of Building | .50 |
| Minimum Charge | 3.00 |
| Permits for any Electrical Installation or Equipment for which no fee is herein prescribed, a minimum charge | 2.00 |

Article 6. — Penalties

A. Whoever wilfully violates any of the provisions of this Electrical By-Law shall be subject to a fine not exceeding $50.00 for each violation.

B. An additional charge of $1.00 will be made by this Department and must be paid by the applicant doing the work for each additional inspection resulting, in the opinion of the Electrical Inspector, from defective work completed in whole or in part by the use of improper or unworkmanlike installations or incompletion of work.''

From the Floor: ''I would like to ask for a quorum.''

The counters counted and decided that there were 217 voters present at that time.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 27. Moderator: ''I would like to turn this over to Mr. MacKenzie who will make the motion.''

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: ''That the Building By-Law of the Town be amended in the following respects:

(A) By striking out the last sentence of Section 5 of Article 1 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'He shall inspect all building operations within the town and shall have the right of entry at reasonable hours.'

(B) By adding a new Section 7 of Article 1, as follows: 'The Building Inspector, officer, or employee charged with the enforcement of this by-law shall not be personally liable while acting for the Municipality, and he is hereby relieved from all personal liability for any damage that may accrue to persons or property as a result of any act required or permitted in the discharge of his official duties.'

(C) By striking out Section 1 of Article 2 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Application for a permit shall be made to the Building Inspector for the construction or alteration of a structure, building, or part thereof, before any work shall be commenced thereon.'

(D) By striking out Section 6(b) of Article 5 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Unreinforced concrete masonry walls shall have a minimum of 28 day strength of 2000 pounds per square inch; shall have a minimum thickness of ten inches (10") for walls up to eight feet in height. For greater height and special cases see Section 4 and 5 of Article 11.'

(E) By striking out Section 6(c) of Article 5 and inserting in place thereof the following: 'Present concrete blocks shall be twelve inch minimum thickness from the footing to within eighteen inches of the finished grade, and a minimum thickness of eight inches above, and shall conform to requirements as stated in Section 4 of Article 11.'

(F) By changing the first word in Section 1 of Article 7 from 'Woodwork' to 'Woodframing.'

(G) By striking out Section 2 of Article 15 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'2. Alteration or addition

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| For operation costing up to $3,000 | $3.00 |
| For each $1,000 of cost above the first $3,000 (Not to exceed $10,000) | 1.00' |

(H) By adding a new Section 4 of Article 15 as follows:
'Any building not covered by the above:

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| For operation costing up to $1,000 | $3.00 |
| For each cost of $1,000 above the first $1,000 | 1.00' '' |

As a voice vote was doubted by seven voters a standing vote was taken which showed:

117 in favor 25 against

Motion carried.

Article 28. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws by adding a new section to Chapter 2, as follows: 'Section 9. Whenever an Article in the Warrant for an annual or special

town meeting, except the article for general appropriations for the annual town expenses, calls for an appropriation in excess of $30,000, the vote upon said article shall be by secret ballot,' or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: ''That the Town By-laws be amended by adding a new section to Chapter 2, as follows: 'Section 9. Whenever an Article in the Warrant for an annual or special town meeting, except the article for general appropriations for the annual town expenses, calls for an appropriation in excess of $30,000, the vote upon said Article shall be by secret ballot.' ''

Voice vote. Motion defeated.

Article 29. Moderator: ''To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town By-Laws by adding a new section to Chapter X, as follows: 'Section 7. No person shall fire or discharge any firearm or explosives of any kind within the limits of any highway, park, or other public property, except with the written permission of the Board of Selectmen, or hunt or fire or discharge any firearm on any private property except with the written permission of the owner or legal occupant thereof; provided, however, that this by-law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, nor to any law enforcement officer acting in the discharge of his duties. Any person violating this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each offense,' or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. Thomas F. Moseley and duly seconded: ''That the Town By-laws be amended by adding a new section to Chapter X, as follows: 'Section 7. No person shall fire or discharge any firearm or explosive of any kind within the limits of any highway, park, or other public property, except with the written permission of the Board of Selectmen, or hunt or discharge any firearm on any private property except with the written permission of the owner or legal occupant thereof; provided, however, that this by-law shall not apply to the lawful defense of life or property, nor to any law enforcement officer acting in the discharge of his duties. Any person violating this by-law shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each offense.''

Discussion by Mr. Thomas Moseley, Mr. Norman Vaughan, Mr. Albert Lougee and others.

Standing vote. 86 in favor. 77 against. Motion carried.

Article 30. Moderator: ''To see if the Town will vote to name the corner at the intersection of Cutler Road and Highland Street 'Nancy's Corner,' or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town name the corner at the intersection of Cutler Road and Highland Street 'Nancy's Corner.' "

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 31. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote that the official name of that part of Village Lane formerly called Lakeview Avenue and accepted by the Town as a public way at the annual town meeting for 1957 shall be Beech Road, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Stone and duly seconded: "That the town name that part of Village Lane formerly called Lakeview Avenue and accepted by the Town as a public Town Way at the annual town meeting for 1957, Beech Street."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 32. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and amendments thereto, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Everett Haley and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1960, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 33. Moderator: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and amendments thereto, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 34. Moderator: "To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting."

"As you all know this is your Moderator singing his swan song and I just want to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to those who have been so loyal to me over the years, practically 30 years. It has been a pleasure. There have been trying moments the same as everything else but I feel that at least I have been able to participate in a small manner and carry on this beautiful town of ours. The offices are dedicated and we have a strong form of government and by the appearance and actions of the newcomer I have every reason to believe the same will continue. It has been a great pleasure to work with a great many people and it is very dangerous to designate names but I can't help recalling Mr. Wolcott who gave me a chance 30 years ago to be a member of the Finance Committee and the help of Johnny Lamson, the father of our Chairman of Selectmen, who have been so good to me. To the Town Counsel who has dedicated himself to do for others and the Good Lord is right when he says it is more blessed to give than receive. To our 'Mr. Hamilton' on our right I can say I'm very happy and he will be the one I will miss. I cherish the town and hope to look forward to see a great deal of progress. Thank you very much."

Mr. Lawrence Lamson: "I know we all know just what you mean. It's going to be a loss that will be hard to fill. I ask that this meeting recognize the services of John H. Perkins in his retirement as Moderator by giving an ovation."

Moderator: "Thank you very much. A motion to adjourn is in order until next Tuesday at 8:00 o'clock at the High School where we hope to see you once again."

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 P.M.

Vote on Article 1. March 10, 1959.

Polls were opened at 8:00 a.m. by the Moderator, John H. Perkins. There were 1375 votes cast under Article 1.

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| Men | 697 | Voted in Person | 1349 |
| Women | 678 | Absentee Votes | 26 |
| | 1375 | | 1375 |

MODERATOR — for one year

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| Perkins, Paul F., Jr. | 774 | Johnson, Richard W. | 190 |
| D'Arcy, James F. | 396 | Blanks | 15 |

TOWN CLERK — for one year

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| Whipple, Francis H. | 1238 | Blanks | 137 |

SELECTMEN — three for one year

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| Lamson, Lawrence | 1074 | Stone, Lawrence R. | 1068 |
| MacKenzie, William F. | 1069 | Blanks | 914 |

TREASURER — for one year

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| Haley, Everett F. | 1192 | Blanks | 182 |
| Sellman, Walfred B. | 1 | | |

TAX COLLECTOR — for one year

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| Crowell, Bertha L. | 1213 | Blanks | 162 |

ASSESSOR — for three years

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| Chittick, Robert H. | 1182 | Blanks | 193 |

TREE WARDEN — for one year

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| Haraden, Rudolph H. | 1171 | Blanks | 204 |

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR — for one year

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| Poole, Charles F. | 1095 | Blanks | 27 |
| Thompson, Gordon L. | 253 | | |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE — two for three years

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| Caldwell, Frederick J. | 1094 | Blanks | 617 |
| Miller, Donald Lang | 1039 | | |

TRUSTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY — for three years

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| Trussell, Sarah H. | 1162 | Blanks | 213 |

WATER COMMISSIONER — for three years

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| Harrigan, George A. | 1152 | Blanks | 223 |

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER — for three years

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| Tucker, Paul S. | 1150 | Blanks | 225 |

PARK COMMISSIONER — for three years

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| Sanford, Ray M. | 1159 | Blanks | 215 |
| Dodge, Charles H. | 1 | | |

PLANNING BOARD — for five years

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| Gourdeau, Henry J. | 1130 | Blanks | 245 |

QUESTION NO. 1

Shall the town vote to accept the provisions of section six C of chapter forty of the General Law, which authorize cities and towns to appropriate money for the removal of snow and ice from private ways therein open to public use?

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| Yes | 737 |
| No | 411 |
| Blanks | 227 |

The polls were closed at 8:00 p.m. and the Moderator announced the results of the voting and declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

# REPORT OF THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

## Held in the High School Auditorium, June 9, 1959

A count of the voters present showed a quorum to be present and Moderator Paul F. Perkins, Jr., opened the meeting at fifteen minutes past eight (8:15) in the evening.

Reverend James R. Whittemore offered the invocation.

Moderator: "I will summarize briefly the four articles appearing in the Warrant:

Article 1 is to see if the Town will accept the provisions of Law providing for the establishment of a regional school district with Wenham and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen. The vote under this Article must be by printed ballot.

While the ballots cast under Article 1 are being counted, we may proceed to consider and act upon Article 2 if the meeting decides to do so by a two-thirds vote.

Article 2 is to see if the Town will withdraw from membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control Project.

Article 3 is to see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to acquire land with buildings thereon on the easterly side of Bay Road in the South Hamilton Depot Square, formerly owned by Boston and Maine Railroad, and to appropriate a sum of money therefor. This will require a two-thirds vote for passage.

Article 4 is to see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money to the Regional School District as a payment toward the Town's share of the initial budget of the District. This will also require a two-thirds vote, but will be acted upon only if both Towns vote to accept the provisions of law providing for the establishment of the regional school district."

Article 1. Moderator: "The first business of the evening is Article 1: 'To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 16 to 16I inclusive of Chapter 71 of the General Laws and amendments thereto providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the town of Wenham, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen, or take any action thereon or in connection therewith; said vote to be by printed ballot."

Moved by Mr. Richard Preston and duly seconded: "That the Town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the Town of Wenham, and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen."

Mr. James Edward Hall, member of the Regional School District Planning Committee, explained that the Regional School Committee had caused a booklet to be distributed to every household on May 16th so that the people could go over the information in their own homes. Also, that the Committee felt very strongly that Hamilton should join with Wenham in a Region District.

Moderator: "Are you ready for the question? The question is that the Town accept the provisions of sections sixteen to sixteen I, inclusive, of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, providing for the establishment of a regional school district, together with the town of Wenham and the construction, maintenance and operation of a regional school by the said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the selectmen."

"The voting on this question is to be by printed ballot. At the front of the room are tables where a ballot will be distributed to each voter at the time his name is checked off on the voting list. Tables for checking men are on your right and those for women on your left. The voting lists for both men and women are divided in two, as indicated by the signs, one table being for checking voters whose last name begins with a letter from L through Z. In order that the voting may proceed in an orderly manner, it is suggested that voters ballot in the order of the row in which they are seated, beginning at the front. As soon as each voter has cast his ballot, it is suggested that he return to his seat."

The voting was completed and the Moderator, Mr. Paul Perkins, declared the balloting closed.

Moderator: "If the meeting desires to consider and act upon Article 2 and 3 pending completion of action under Article 1, the chair will entertain a motion to this effect."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "that pending completion of counting the ballots and action under Article 1, we consider and act upon Articles 2 and 3."

Moderator: "It has been moved and seconded that pending completion of counting the ballots and action under Article 1, we consider and act upon Articles 2 and 3. Are you ready for the question? This motion requires a two-thirds vote for passage. If, by a voice vote, the

vote is unanimous, the necessity of voting by rising and counting will be avoided. All those in favor of the motion say 'Aye.' Those opposed say 'No.' ''

As there were a few dissenting voices the Moderator said ''In view of the fact that there have been some no votes I think there may have been a bit of confusion. I will put the motion again. We will need a rising and counting if there are any no's.''

Moderator: ''It has been moved and seconded that pending completion of action under Article 1, we consider and act upon Articles 2 and 3.''

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 2. Moderator: ''We will now consider and act upon Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to withdraw from membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control Project, as provided for by Section 3 of Chapter 516, Acts of 1958, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.''

Moved by Mr. William MacKenzie and duly seconded: ''That the Town withdraw from membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control Project, as provided for by Section 3 of Chapter 516 of the Acts of 1958.''

Moderator: ''It has been moved and duly seconded that the Town withdraw from membership in the Essex County Mosquito Control Project, as provided for by Section 3 of Chapter 516, Acts of 1958, or take any action thereon or relative thereto.''

Discussion from the floor.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article 3. Moderator: ''The next business is Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to acquire by purchase or eminent domain for parking, park or other public purposes as may be determined, all or a portion of land with buildings thereon on the easterly side of Bay Road in the South Hamilton Depot Square containing 14,900 square feet, more or less, formerly owned by the Boston and Maine Railroad and now acquired by Fairfield Estates Trust as shown on a plan entitled 'Land in Hamilton, Massachusetts, Boston and Maine Railroad to Henry F. Larchez, Tr.' by J. F. Kerwin, Engineer, on file with the Town Clerk, and to appropriate a sum of money therefor, said appropriation to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, or take any action thereon or relative thereto; provided that if any such acquisition shall impose a financial obligation on the Town to maintain a railroad waiting room and other facilities as provided in the conveyance from said Railroad to said Trust then the Selectmen shall apply to the General Court for a special act authorizing the Town to assume said obligation.''

Moved by Mr. George Cutler and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Selectmen to acquire by purchase or eminent domain for parking, park or other public purposes as may be designated at a subsequent town meeting all the land with buildings thereon on the easterly side of Bay Road in the South Hamilton Depot Square containing 14,900 square feet, more or less, formerly owned by the Boston and Maine Railroad and now acquired by Fairfield Estates Trust as shown on a plan entitled 'Land in Hamilton, Massachusetts, Boston and Maine Railroad to Henry F. Larchez, Tr.' by J. F. Kerwin, Engineer, on file with the Town Clerk, and to appropriate the sum of $15,000 for such purpose, said appropriation to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund; provided that if any such acquisition shall impose a financial obligation on the Town to maintain a railroad waiting room and other facilities as provided in the conveyance from said Railroad to said Trust then the Selectmen shall apply to the General Court for a special act authorizing the Town to assume said obligation."

Moderator: "This motion requires a two-thirds vote for passage and the count must be recorded so the vote will be taken by rising. Is there any discussion?"

Discussion from the floor.

Mr. John Neary, Mr. Daniel Hughes, Mr. Everett Haley and Mr. Burchard were chosen as tellers and the count was as follows:

In favor: 275 Against: 101

Moderator: "The motion is carried."

Moderator: "We now have the results of the balloting under Article 1 relating to the establishment of a regional school. There are 385 votes in the affirmative and 17 votes in the negative, and the motion is carried. The chair has just been informed that Wenham has also voted in favor of the establishment of a regional school district. Affirmative 340 — Negative 21. Consequently, the proposed regional school district is now established in accordance with the terms of the agreement filed with the Selectmen."

Article 4. Moderator: "The next business is Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for payment to the Regional School District pursuant to the agreement referred to in Article 1 of this warrant as a payment toward the Town's share of the initial budget of said District, and to raise and appropriate said money by transfer of available funds or otherwise or take any action thereon or relative thereto."

Moved by Mr. Joe Jackson and duly seconded: "That there be appropriated the sum of $9,300 for payment to the Regional School District

established by Hamilton and Wenham on this date pursuant to the agreement referred to in Article 1 of the warrant for this meeting as a payment toward the Town's share of the initial budget of said District to appropriate by transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Fund."

Moderator: "Is there any discussion?"

Mr. William MacKenzie: "Would I be out of order to ask for a voice vote first?"

Moderator: "This is a proper request. If the people are unanimously in favor of this we will not need to rise."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Lawrence Lamson: "We should give the Regional School Committee a rising vote of thanks for the work they have done. These men are Mr. Hall, Mr. Richard Preston, and Mr. Joe Jackson."

Article 5: Moderator: "Article 5 is to act on any other matter that may legally come before the meeting. If there is no further business a motion to adjourn is in order."

Mr. William MacKenzie: "I move that we adjourn."

Moderator: "It has been moved and seconded that we adjourn. If there is no further discussion, those in favor of adjournment say 'Aye.' Those opposed say 'No.' The 'Ayes' have it."

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 P.M. o'clock.

Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

*Town Clerk*

# RECORDINGS AND LICENSES ISSUED

## 1959
## BIRTHS RECORDED

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| Male | 60 |
| Female | 68 |
| | 128 |

## 1959
## MARRIAGES RECORDED

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| Residents | 45 |
| Non-Residents | 5 |
| | 50 |

## 1959
## DEATHS RECORDED

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| Residents | 36 |
| Non-Residents | 0 |
| | 36 |

## 1959
## SPORTING LICENSES ISSUED

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| Fishing | 83 |
| Hunting | 85 |
| Sporting | 50 |
| Minors Fishing | 26 |
| Female Fishing | 15 |
| Sporting-Trapping | 13 |
| Trapping | 2 |
| Duplicate | 2 |
| | 276 |

## 1959-1960
## DOG LICENSES ISSUED

| | |
|---|---|
| Male | 272 |
| Female | 38 |
| Spayed Female | 155 |
| $10 Kennel | 11 |
| $25 Kennel | 3 |
| $50 Kennel | 2 |
| | 481 |

# 1959 BIRTHS RECORDED

Sandra Joan, daughter of Gordon H., Jr., and Lillian M. Allen
Kenneth Wayne, son of Robert E. and Hope Auen
Margaret Mary, daughter of George W. and Agnes M. Aylwin
Philip Mathew, son of John Francis and Theresa E. Bickerton
John Todd, son of Creighton Charles and Justine A. Blenkhorn
Barbara Ann, daughter of Robert P. and Rose M. Bonazoli
Janet Ellen, daughter of Alfred and Barbara Ann Boudreau
Susan Marie, daughter of Wallace E. and Janet A. Brede
Ted Lawrence, son of Robert Haynes and June Anne Brooks
Robert Scott, son of Donald F. and Priscilla F. Burke
James Ernest, son of Ernest Walter and Margaret C. Burnham
Patricia Rae, daughter of Cecil S. and Pencie L. Carroll
Lisa Ann, daughter of Edward J. and Carole Chandler
Julie Anne, daughter of Albert P. and Carolyn L. Chouinard
Julie Ellen, daughter of Wilmer and Mary I. Clark
———, son of Robert Kevin and Lorraine M. Cleary
Charles Philip, son of Kenneth C. and Martha J. Cogdill
Frank Dean, son of Peter Nestor and Annie Marie Colontoni
Lisa Ann, daughter of Henry A. and Mary E. Conti
Neil Taylor, Jr., son of Neil Taylor and Margaret M. Crockett
Patricia Jane, daughter of Richard F. and Jane C. Curry
Laurelle Cove, daughter of Richard Cove and Dolores Dixon
Janice Elizabeth, daughter of Anthony J. and Mary DiFrancesco
Deborah Lee, daughter of James Harcourt and Joanne A. Dodge
Charles Whitfield, son of Charles W. and Joyce E. Dolliver
Michael Joseph, son of Henry E. and Catherine M. Doyle
Maria Therese, daughter of Paul Searles and Miriam E. Dumas
Steven Mark, son of Geoffrey Alan and Carol M. Eckles
Kurt Warren, son of Norman John and Irene Marie Eddy
Diane Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Lincoln and Lois Marie Eggleston
Mary Louise, daughter of Edgar B. and Shirley Elderkin
David Paul, son of James Robert and Theresa M. Fanning
Gregory Blaise, son of George F., Jr. and Frances P. Field
Paul William, son of Thomas W. and Barbara E. Foley
Douglas Darling, son of Deane Rodney and Oris V. Folsom
Katherine Evelyn, daughter of Robert G. and Lois Gagne
Laurie Jean, daughter of Francis B. and Katherine M. Gajewski
Diane Leigh, daughter of Wayne R. and Margaret E. Gauthier
Michael Bernard, son of Stephen and Joan M. Giera
Sharon Nancy, daughter of Richard Giles and Dorothy E. Gill
Jane Marie, daughter of Albert P. and Germaine S. Gillissen
Mary Ellen, daughter of Philip Steele and Patricia C. Girard
Philip Alvin, Jr., son of Philip A. and Thelma R. Graham
Judith Mary Hand, daughter of Earle M. and Eleanor A. Hand
John Edward, son of Edward Anderson and Ethel M. Haraden
Cynthia Ruth, daughter of David and Elaine Harriman

Carolyn Bessie, daughter of Robert and Agnes H. Hathaway
Catherine, daughter of John A. and Helen L. Hawke
Michael Darren, son of Stanley I., Jr. and Carole Hayes
Thomas Edward, son of Donald E. and Virginia Healy
Kimberly Ann, daughter of Warren E. and Josephine P. Heath
Alison Marie, daughter of Leonard L. and Elaine L. Heitz
Kenneth William, son of Leonard L. and Elaine L. Heitz
———, son of Edward James and Dorothy Eva Henry
Rebecca Anne, daughter of Clyde E. and Esther C. Hicks
Matthew Warren, son of Clyde E. and Esther C. Hicks
David Quentin, son of Wilfred G. and Sylvia Hill
Sandra Gail, daughter of Lee Alexander and Evelyn L. Hollingsworth
Charles Edward, son of Arthur Randolph and Audrey L. Hopping
Clare, daughter of Laurence J. and Agnes F. Hurley
Charles Nathan, son of Charles A. and Joy Huttar
Stephen Thomas, son of Joseph L., Jr. and Denise L. Jacques
Caleb Wade, son of Harold M., Jr. and Dorothy B. Johnson
Scott Theodore, son of Theodore E., Jr. and Vizma Johnson
Francis Robert, son of Francis R. and Stacia A. Kennedy
Paula Ann, daughter of William P. and Shirley E. Koloski
Edward, son of Joseph Anthony and Sophie G. Lardiere
Cornelia Ann, daughter of Frank E. and Martha Lenherr
William Hans, son of Carl W. and Patricia A. Lesch
Stephen John, son of Oscar H. and Marilyn J. Lindquist
Timothy Michael, son of Charles E. and Eleanor A. Lowell
Steven Mark, son of Edwin Louis, Jr. and Gail Lyon
Richard James, son of John A. and Eileen A. Macdonald
Scott Cameron, son of Oliver N. and Virginia M. MacLeod
Collin Herbert, son of Herbert K. and Dorothy MacMillan
Gwendolyn, daughter of Alexis Armstrong, Jr. and Marjorie Mahan
John Alphonse, son of Alfonce Edward and Ida V. Maione
Mary Victoria, son of Philip Mark and Eileen Philomena Marcorelle
Richard Paul, son of Walter E. and Janet McGrath
Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Daniel L. and Alice B. McKenney
Timothy Brewster, son of Henry H. and Edith N. Meyer
Jonathan Wheaton, son of Wheaton W. and Catherine E. Mies
Richard Alexander, son of Thomas F. and Beverly C. Moseley
Lori Ann, daughter of George F. and Sandra G. Mosher
Anne Marie, daughter of Cornelius J., Jr. and Patricia A. Murray
John Joseph III, son of John Joseph and Ruth E. Murray
Mary Kathryn, daughter of William Gerard and Katherine Murray
Scott Murray, son of Murray W. and Alice J. Obear
Deborah Susan, daughter of David E. and Linda L. Parsons
Bradley James, son of Ronald Joseph and Anne C. Pasek
Susan Foster, daughter of Bruce F. and Rae R. Paul
Linda Jean, daughter of Raymond Laforest, Jr. and Angela Louise Perkins
Sandra Louise, daughter of John J. and Elizabeth W. Perkins
Carl Robert Joseph, son of G. Glen and Joanne Potter

Denise Ardel, daughter of Horst M. W. and Evalie R. Prehl
Cordelia Forester, daughter of Bayard V. and Cordelia D. Robb
Alyson Davis, daughter of John B. and Barbara D. Roberts
Peter James, son of William James and Elizabeth W. Robins
Cynthia Jean, daughter of Donald A. and Jean L. Rogers
Ellen Christine, daughter of Frank D. and Janet Ross
Elizabeth Ann, daughter of Roy Albert and Ann M. St. Germain
Julia Crotty, daughter of Allan G. and Winifred E. Sanborn
Richard Joseph, Jr., son of Richard Joseph and Betty I. Sevigney
Melinda Newhall, daughter of Frederick O. and Patricia Shrum
Douglas Thomas, son of Thomas F. and Margaret L. Silke
James Joseph, son of Arthur J. and Laura M. Silva
Douglas Howard, son of Robert M. and G. Elyse Snow
Lydia Field, daughter of John Hall and Mary Bartow Snow
Craig Lincoln, son of Chester L. and Harriet C. Somers
Jodi Long, daughter of George S. and Marilyn Sunderland
Kimberly Ann, daughter of Raymond D. and Beverly E. Tarr
Mark Thomas, son of James H. and Janet Thacher
Mary Beth, daughter of John P. and Elizabeth A. Tisevich
Cynthia Irene, daughter of Paul S. and Theresa G. Tucker
Ellen Rose, daughter of Ralph J. and Doris C. Vitale
Robert William, son of John M., Jr. and Jeannine A. Waldie
Jeffrey Laurence, son of Laurence John and Jeanne M. Ward
Natalie Wayne, daughter of Hugh C., Jr. and Diana Ward
Donna Lynn, daughter of Arthur H. and Eleanor M. Washburn
Kim Ellen, daughter of Carl A. and Marily A. Weaver
Timothy William, son of John H. and Rosamonde Wetson
Ellen Kathleen, daughter of William J. and Jean Whelan
Karen Lee, daughter of Alvin P. and Elaine M. Whipple
Sarah Knox, daughter of James M., Jr. and Nita White
Randolph Appleton, son of Oliver, Jr. and Carolyn S. Wolcott
Jean Marie, daughter of Theodore B. and Dorothy M. Yasi
Donna, daughter of Melvin F. and Alice E. Young
Kathy Lynne, daughter of Stephen S. and Karen W. Zagorski

# 1959 MARRIAGES RECORDED

Richard C. Bertone, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Linda M. Hopping of Hamilton, Massachusetts

David Francis Bishop of Middleton, Massachusetts
Doreen Mae Cochrane of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Rolvin S. Bothwell of Newburyport, Massachusetts
Elizabeth Clock of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Clarence J. Brunet, Jr. of Beverly, Massachusetts
Margaret I. Jones of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Joseph J. Cassista of Danvers, Massachusetts
Wilma F. Bullerwell of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Wilmon Blackmor Chipman, Jr. of Reading, Massachusetts
Barbara Ann Bennett of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Roland Henry Crowley of Beverly, Massachusetts
Ida Catherine McSween of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Thomas Henry Currier of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Margaret Doris Russell of Hamilton, Massachusetts

George F. Delaney, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Sandra E. Hubbard of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Harry J. Fanning of Danvers, Massachusetts
Barbara E. Delaney of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Herbert Ralph French of Beverly, Massachusetts
Margaret Dolores Trepanier of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Lawrence Parker Frost, Jr. of Danvers, Massachusetts
Donna Marie Gauthier of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Philip Calvin Gage of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Nancy Jean Reed of Wenham, Massachusetts

Raymond Harold Garcelon, Jr. of Beverly, Massachusetts
Ann Pauline Keller of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Roger Warren Gaskill of Nashua, New Hampshire
Grace Sylvia Humphrey of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Richard Arthur Hagan of Reading, Massachusetts
Barbara Ann Jones of Wenham, Masachusetts

Philip E. Hagar, Jr. of Topsfield, Massachusetts
Evelyn K. Purdy of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Charles Herbert Harding, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Marion Elizabeth Lawless of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Richard Nelson Hathaway of Beverly, Massachusetts
Elaine Jacqueling Anderson of Hamilton, Massachusetts

John Landon Head of Douglaston, L. I., New York
Sibyl Louise Kuhnle of Hamilton, Massachusetts

James P. Heath of Lynn, Massachusetts
Lorraine I. Bowen of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Robert E. Henderson of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Louise I. Vallone of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Wilbur Nathan Herrick of Cranston, Rhode Island
Annalee Dittenbir of Cranston, Rhode Island

Edward Bennett Hopping of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Dianne Laura Stevens of Ipswich, Massachusetts

John Daniel Hurley of Beverly, Massachusetts
Elizabeth Jane Bullerwell of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Clifton L. Jermyn of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Marguerite R. Michaud of Ipswich, Massachusetts

Donald A. Lincoln of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Maryanne McCormack of Ipswich, Massachusetts

Richard Loud of Belmont, Massachusetts
Louise Oxenham of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Robert Joseph Luce of Warren, Michigan
Mildred May Jones of Warren, Michigan

William J. Mahoney of Beverly, Massachusetts
Margaret J. Cullinane of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Stephen W. Maniates of Essex, Massachusetts
Edna M. Eskelson of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Warren Edwin Mitchell of Beverly, Masachusetts
Susan Gail MacKenzie of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Michael John Moloney of Newton, Massachusetts
Renate Irmgard Krauze of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Alfred Martin O'Brien of Ipswich, Massachusetts
Joan Cecile Marshall of Hamilton, Massachusetts

J. Richard Penney of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Ruth Anne Rider of Boston, Massachusetts

John Aldo Peterson of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Judith Ann Nickerson of Wenham, Massachusetts

Herbert David Philbrick of Falmouth, Massachusetts
Pauline M. Tobyne of Hamilton, Massachusetts

William P. Poole, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Judith Amy Crowley of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Arthur S. Purdy of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Alice M. Stimpson of Lynn, Massachusetts

John Leonard Rice, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Joan M. Marcello of Methuen, Massachusetts

Norman Elliot Rothstein of Amherst, Massachusetts
Judith Ann Clarke of Hamilton, Massachusetts

David C. Shannon of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Jean B. Dullea of Peabody, Massachusetts

Ernest R. Stickney of Lynn, Massachusetts
Ruth Brooks of Danvers, Massachusetts

Joseph F. Tetreault of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Louise A. LeBel of Danvers, Massachusetts

Peter J. Thimmer, Jr. of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Shirley Harris of Gloucester, Massachusetts

William H. Tingley of Beverly, Massachusetts
Eleanor M. Hurd of Hamilton, Massachusetts

Omer J. Tremblay of Ipswich, Massachusetts
Martha W. Cunningham of Hamilton, Massachusetts

John T. Turner of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Kay E. Wright of Newburyport, Massachusetts

Edmund A. Wentworth of Hamilton, Massachusetts
Carol A. Palmer of Salem, Massachusetts

Harold P. Wilson of Boston, Massachusetts
Louise P. Barsick of Wenham, Massachusetts

# REPORT OF THE WATER SUPERINTENDENT

*To the Board of Water Commissioners:*

GENTLEMEN:

I respectfully submit my report as Superintendent of the Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The Department has installed forty-three new house services during the year which makes a total of fifteen hundred and six connected to our distribution mains. We have received many calls from our customers in regard to the cellar shut-off valves not operating properly, in which case we have had to remove and repair.

Fluoridation samples have been taken daily and tested and the results reported to the State Department of Public Health.

Water samples have been taken and sent to the State Department for bacterial and chemical analysis in accordance with State requirements.

Water meters have been read and bills sent out semi-annually in accordance with our program.

The usual requirements necessary to the operation of a Water Department such as repairing leaks, meters, hydrants, turning on and off of house services, laying mains and maintenance of pumping equipment have been made during the past year.

The total amount of water pumped during the year of 1959 exceeded last year by 27,373,550 gallons which the following figures will indicate:

| | *1958* | *1959* |
|---|---|---|
| Gallons Pumped | 83,996,350 | 111,369,900 |

Water Analysis by Massachusetts Department of Public Health Collection on October 6, 1959. (Parts per Million)

| | No. 433514 Bridge Street | No. 433515 School Street | No. 433516 Patton Well |
|---|---|---|---|
| Turbidity | 0. | 1. | 6. |
| Sediment | 0. | 2. | 3. |
| Color | 8. | 8. | 8. |
| Odor-Cold | 0. | 1. | 2. |
| Chlorides | 12. | 13. | 9.5 |
| Hardness | 50. | 120. | 104. |
| Alkalinity | 35. | 40. | 76. |
| PH | 6.3 | 6.1 | 6.7 |
| Iron | .12 | .28 | .45 |
| Manganese | .32 | .14 | .11 |

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation I have received from other Town Departments and from all who are associated with us in our work.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE,
*Superintendent, Water Department*

# REPORT OF THE HAMILTON SCHOOL BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

The School Building Needs Committee is charged with the responsibility of keeping abreast of the classroom needs in the community in light of growth trends in the town.

Presently, our greatest need for classroom space is at the high school level. During this past year, the towns of Hamilton and Wenham formed a Regional School District and appointed a Regional School Committee to plan the construction of a Regional High School.

A new high school is a definite necessity. The School Building Needs Committee urges the citizens of the town of Hamilton to cooperate fully with the Regional School Committee in meeting this vital need.

With the construction of a new high school and its opening, hopefully, by September, 1962, the present junior-senior high school will be utilized as a junior high school to house grades seven and eight.

Our school population continues to grow. We are, then, watching closely our needs at the elementary school level although at the present time we have no imperative need for additional classroom space at this level. However, based on the continual growth in our enrollments, we anticipate the need for more classrooms in our elementary schools within the next few years.

Respectfully submitted,

SCHOOL BUILDING NEEDS COMMITTEE

RICHARD M. EMERY, *Chairman*

FREDERICK J. CALDWELL

GEORGE C. CUTLER

HENRY GOURDEAU

JAMES E. HALL

ALLAN MacCURRACH

JOHN H. LAWSON

JOHN NEARY

# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE FOR THE NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

On Wednesday, September 9, 1959, grades 4, 5 and 6 happily occupied the new Winthrop School.

The Building Committee and the School Committee held an open house day on Sunday, October 4, 1959, for the citizens of the town.

Except for a few minor faults which should be corrected by the time the Town Report is printed, the building is in excellent condition and we believe a handsome addition to the Town.

FREDERIC WINTHROP, *Chairman*
HENRY J. GOURDEAU
MALCOLM E. DOUGLASS
DONALD L. MILLER
JOHN F. NEARY
FREDERICK J. CALDWELL
ELMER H. SMITH
MORLEY L. PIPER

*School Building Committee*
*for New Elementary School*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

We submit herewith a report of the activities of the Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1959.

Along with the other departments of the town, the activities and duties of the Board of Health have increased with the continuing growth of our community.

In addition to having jurisdiction over communicable diseases and local health problems, the Board of Health is responsible for the collection and disposal of refuse and garbage, the inspection of all new building developments to ascertain whether adequate sewage and drainage can be provided, the inspection of all operating sewage disposal systems, inspection of food handlers and restaurants, and other matters relating to Public Health.

A Polio Clinic was conducted in cooperation with the Ipswich Board of Health, with over 300 residents and their children, who had not been previously innoculated, taking advantage of this clinic to receive their three Polio shots or a booster shot.

Chest X-Ray examinations were conducted under the auspices of the Essex County Health Association, which proved very beneficial to a number of Hamilton residents.

The Board has long realized the need for a complete set of up-to-date rules and regulations pertaining to all health matters under control of the local Board. During the past year these rules have been drafted and are now ready for adoption. These rules and regulations will be printed in booklet form and should be available early this spring.

The Dental Clinic has been continued under the supervision of Dr. John King and the school nurse and with the able assistance of the Superintendent of Schools, Dr. John Lawson. The Dental Clinic is conducted for the first three grades only.

It was with much regret that the Board received word of the retirement of Miss Florence Stobbart, who had so ably served as both School Nurse and Health Nurse. Her services will long be remembered and appreciated by all who had the opportunity to be associated with her.

Mrs. Irene Dankowski was appointed School Nurse and will assist Dr. King in carrying out the Clinic duties this coming year. A complete report of the activities of the Dental Clinic will be found elsewhere in the Town Report.

The Board opened a new town dump off Chebbaco Road on January 1, 1959. A lease authorized by the last annual town meeting has been signed with the owner for three years. This lease is renewable for three-year periods, and should serve the needs of the town for many years to come.

At the last annual town meeting, the townspeople approved the Board's request for a new garbage truck. This truck was put into service

in May, and its reliability has proven to be a great asset in the operation of the department.

The following is a list of communicable diseases reported during the year:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chicken Pox | 48 | Mumps | 12 |
| Dog-bite | 8 | Salmonella | 1 |
| German Measles | 7 | Scarlet Fever | 2 |
| Measles | 15 | Tuberculosis | 3 |

This report by no means covers the entire duties nor the complete activities of the Board during the year. It is a summary of accomplishments and recommendations which should be of the most interest to the voters of the town.

The Board expresses its appreciation to Charles F. Poole, Highway Surveyor, for his cooperation in the operation of this department, especially the loaning of men and equipment when needed.

Appreciation is also extended to all who have assisted this Board in any way during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. MacKENZIE

LAWRENCE LAMSON

LAWRENCE R. STONE

*Board of Health*

# REPORT OF THE DENTAL CLINIC

*To the Board of Health:*

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit my report of the Dental Clinic for 1959.

| | |
|---|---|
| Amalgam fillings | 449 |
| Cement fillings | 44 |
| Linings | 17 |
| Temporary fillings | 8 |
| Treatments | 8 |
| Extractions (temporary) | 25 |
| (permanent) | 2 |
| X-rays | 11 |
| Novocains | 34 |
| Cleanings | 123 |
| Examinations | 2 |
| Certificates | 116 |
| Number of operations | 684 |
| Number of children having work done | 167 |
| Number of hours | 210 |

As in previous years, I again urge the parents of children in the first three grades to see that their children receive dental certificates either through the dental clinic or any other dental office.

Sincerely,

JOHN KING, D.M.D.

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

The Assessors submit herewith their annual report for the calendar year ending December 31, 1959.

## COMPARATIVE FIGURES
(for the past four years)

| | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Valuation | $9,073,215 | $9,559,310 | $9,877,015 | $10,202,075 |
| Increase over previous year | 682,230 | 486,095 | 317,705 | 325,060 |
| Number of Polls | 1,355 | 1,455 | 1,446 | 1,494 |
| Number of Dwellings | 1,507 | 1,727 | 1,746 | 1,772 |

## DETAIL OF ASSESSMENT

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Value of Buildings | $7,820,025 | | |
| Value of Land | 1,780,020 | | |
| Total Value of Real Estate | | $9,600,045 | |
| Value of Personal Estate | | 602,030 | |
| Total Valuation | | | $10,202,075 |
| Tax Rate $56.00 per Thousand | | | |
| Tax on Real Estate | | $537,714.52 | |
| Tax on Personal Estate | | 33,702.48 | |
| Tax on Polls | | 2,988.00 | |
| Total Taxes Assessed | | | $574,405.00 |

## RECAPITULATION

| EXPENDITURES | | |
|---|---|---|
| Appropriations to be raised by taxation | $838,459.81 | |
| Deficit in overlay of 1958 | 4,225.42 | |
| State Tax and Assessments: | | |
| State Parks and Reservations | 2,729.00 | |
| State Audit of Municipal Accounts | 1,464.69 | |
| County Tax and Assessments: | | |
| County Tax 1959 | 26,064.29 | |
| County Tax 1958 — Underestimate | 3,175.09 | |
| Tuberculosis Hospital | 6,211.99 | |
| Essex County Project 1959-E16 | 2,878.00 | |
| Overlay for the current year 1959 | 10,890.01 | |
| Gross amount to be raised | | $896,098.30 |

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Veterans' Benefits | $ 2,000.00 | |
| Income Tax | 61,030.10 | |
| Corporation Tax | 20,244.34 | |
| Reimbursement a/c publicly owned land | 7,445.49 | |
| Old Age (meals) | 1,178.47 | |
| Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise | 85,000.00 | |
| Licenses and Fines | 2,500.00 | |
| Special Assessments (moth) | 500.00 | |
| Health and Sanitation | 1,000.00 | |
| Charities (other than Federal Grants for dependent children) | 7,000.00 | |
| Old Age Assistance (other than Federal Grants) | 16,000.00 | |
| Schools | 11,000.00 | |
| Public Services (water) | 44,000.00 | |
| Cemetery | 800.00 | |
| Interest on Taxes and Assessments | 1,400.00 | |
| State Assistance for School Construction | 23,668.07 | |
| Town of Manchester (in lieu of taxes) | 800.00 | |
| Amounts taken from available funds and over-estimates | 34,126.83 | |
| Tax receipts from 1959 assessments | 574,405.00 | |
| Gross Receipts | | $894,098.30 |

Anyone who transfers or sells a motor vehicle should apply to the Assessors for an abatement for the balance of the year as promptly as possible, stating the date of such transfer. In many cases this will make it possible to deduct the amount of the rebate when paying the original excise tax itself and thus eliminate the need for mailing out a refund check.

The comparative valuation figures shown above indicate a conservative increase in residential valuation but running less than half the peak year of 1956. The possibility of a mushrooming growth of low-cost housing in Hamilton seems now rather remote. Building lots in the smaller categories are gradually disappearing and more and more permits are being taken out for sites in the 40,000 square foot classification. This leads to a gradual up-grading as pertains to average cost per dwelling unit and helps in part to offset the falling off in new construction.

With town budgets and expenses on the increase the need is urgent to find new taxable property that will help to bear the burden. One source is new commercial valuation, and we stress the desirability of developing more of the right kind of business concerns in our town. To the extent that your spending dollar goes elsewhere you are helping the tax rate of neighboring communities rather than your own. The relief is

more needed right at home, as witness the fact that one nearby city was able to give the taxpayers a substantial drop in the tax rate this year, due to the influx of new business.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT H. CHITTICK

ARTHUR L. BENNETT

ROBERT H. TRUSSELL

*Assessors*

# REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit my report as Building Inspector of the Town of Hamilton for the year ending December 31, 1959.

A total of 120 permits with an estimated cost of $707,850 exclusive of land have been issued covering the construction of the following:

| | |
|---|---|
| New dwellings with garage | 7 |
| New dwellings | 23 |
| Dial Exchange Building | 1 |
| Recreation and Bowling | 1 |
| Block of stores, 3 stores | 1 |
| Swimming pools | 4 |
| Garages | 8 |
| Polo Arena | 1 |
| Stables | 4 |
| Small greenhouses | 3 |
| Tool houses (accessory buildings) | 6 |
| Moving | 3 |
| Demolish | 3 |
| Carports | 2 |
| Additions | 35 |
| Alterations | 18 |
| | Total (120) |

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk and others I have come in contact with during the performance of my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON S. PERKINS

*Building Inspector*

# REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

The Board of Cemetery Commissioners submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

| | |
|---|---|
| Single Endowed Graves Sold | 16 |
| Four Lot Endowed Graves Sold | 4 |
| Eight Lot Graves Sold | 6 |
| Perpetual care Eight Grave Lots | 7 |
| Interments | 30 |

We wish to thank everyone who helped this Department in any way and the cooperation received from all the other Town Departments.

To our Superintendent, Philip S. Plummer, we are grateful for his interest and care of the Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL S. TUCKER

LUTHER M. CAVERLY

JOHN T. WALKE

*Cemetery Commissioners*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

## Under the Protective (Zoning) By-Law

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

During the year, the Board of Appeals conducted eighteen public hearings, making 1959 the busiest year to date. There were four special permit cases, for greenhouses or two-family houses, two of which also required minor variances.

Of the fourteen variance cases, the Board denied three and withheld decision in one pending receipt of measurements by a surveyor. At first glance the total of ten variances granted appears to be high. The record discloses, however, that three or four of these were cases where the action permitted was probably legal without a variance. Two other decisions permitted minor side line deficiencies for modern garages improving the location, one authorized an additional tank for a filling station and one approved frontage shortages for three house lots of legal area where the lots across the street were also narrow. A one-man business was permitted in a dwelling house near a business district upon strict limitations as to use and duration, and a dwelling house was authorized in the case of one very small lot upon the unlikely condition that certain adjoining land be acquired by the applicant. Among the denials was an application to authorize conversion of a large two-family dwelling into an apartment building for four families.

It is important to note a change in the governing state law (General Laws, Chapter 41A), effective last August, requiring the published notice to appear at least twenty-one days before the hearing. In the past, the Board has on occasion been able to arrange a hearing within two weeks or less where speed was important. This accommodation will no longer be possible and applicants must plan on an interval of about five weeks after submission of the appeal or request together with the required names and addresses of interested parties before the hearing can be held.

Members of the Board desire to warn the public, particularly purchasers of house lots, of the danger in buying any lot which does not conform to the legal requirements of area and frontage. There is no law which forbids the sale or purchase of an undersized lot or even a sliver of land. Our By-Law, like all zoning laws, operates through the power to deny a *building permit*. Certain undersized lots are protected by the state law and by our By-Law if they existed in their present form when the By-Law (or an amendment increasing the requirements) was adopted, *if there was no adjoining land in the same ownership*. Recently, a parcel of land has been divided by deeds into two or more lots of inadequate size and in other cases inadequate lots have been offered for sale, which may have been separate in 1954, but have since been combined in larger tracts. The Building Inspector will not grant a building permit for any such lot without a variance granted by the Board of Appeals and it is extremely unlikely that this Board will grant such a variance where the result

would be to circumvent the purpose of the By-Law, regardless of the innocence of the persons concerned. The matter can be further complicated by questions of good faith when there appear to be conveyances to relatives, partners, or "straws." The buyer of a sub-standard lot who is not positive that the same is protected by a provision of the By-Law, or of applicable state law, acts in peril of denial of a permit. Trusting in the say-so of a seller or broker or in an old recorded plan may be grounds for a lawsuit to avoid his purchase, but it is not the kind of hardship that will guarantee a variance authorizing a building permit. The proper course for a buyer is to insist on his seller obtaining a variance before passing papers, including this as a condition in the agreement of purchase and sale if one is to be used.

Elmer H. Smith ceased to be a member of the Board upon expiration of his second term in April. This brief acknowledgment is insufficient to express the appreciation of the members and of the public generally, of Mr. Smith's valued service in the difficult early years of zoning. By appointment by the Selectmen, Costas L. Caraganis became the new regular member. The Building Inspector, Mr. Perkins, has attended the hearings and has worked closely with the Board in matters of common interest. As in the past, the assistance of the Assessors and the Town Clerk is gratefully acknowledged.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. BECKETT

JOHN F. NEARY

COSTAS L. CARAGANIS

F. HARLAN CLOCK

*Board of Appeals*

Dear Fellow Citizens:

At the 1958 Town Meeting a proposed new library for Hamilton was tabled. Last year a similar proposal was defeated. Your library trustees could, conceivably, have adopted the easy way this year, in the face of continued opposition from the Finance Committee, and taken no action. Such a course was never contemplated—could not possibly be in view of the exceedingly serious need which exists, now intensified by two years of delay.

Briefly, Hamilton's divided, two-part library cannot serve the town well, is inefficient, uneconomic and ill-housed. At no time is our entire book collection available to citizens and students. Furthermore, our overcrowded room at Town Hall admittedly must soon be requisitioned for town offices. Our makeshift Lamson School library room is without sanitary facilities of any kind during much of the year, has experienced rain leakage and blown-out window panes in recent months. What's more, demolition of the building itself is under consideration as part of an imminent public housing project. All this, as book circulation sets new records year by year, adds up to a deplorable, even shameful situation—particularly for a community with Hamilton's proud reputation.

Your trustees again and most earnestly ask your support for a new library—a building which is substantially that proposed last year and which continues to be, in their estimation, the realistic answer to the town's library question. It is the product of detailed studies and surveys made under the guidance of two of the country's most distinguished library experts, Messers Philip McNiff and John Humphry.

However, the trustees, while strongly favoring the complete facilities, as embodied in this building, offer the town an alternate proposal by which the same structure could be erected in two steps should the citizens prefer a lesser initial financial outlay. This partial facility, as indicated on the back cover, would be temporarily adequate and would, of course, involve commitment to completion of the entire building, as originally proposed, at a later date.

Estimated maximum cost of the *complete* library building—which could well be bid in for less—is roughly $82,000, including outside fill and landscaping. Furniture and architectural fees bring the total to approximately $90,000—estimated. Similarly, the building cost of the alternate *partial* library is about $59,000, with furniture and architect's fees making a total of some $65,000— estimated. Cost of the complete structure would represent about $1.00 on the tax rate, the alternate building, of course, appreciably less.

Obviously Hamilton must come to grips with its library situation just as it has so resolutely confronted its school problems. Nothing is to be gained by delay. Now, at the coming Town Meeting, let us take decisive action to provide the intellectual and cultural stimulus which a good library can mean for all of us and for our children.

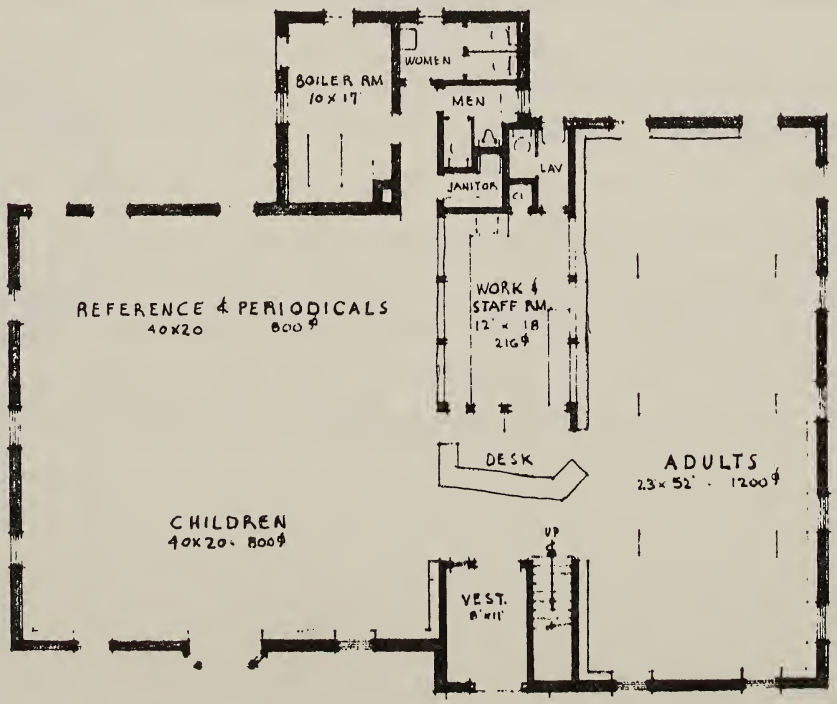
Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. NEARY, *Chairman*
SARAH H. TRUSSELL
JANICE P. PULSIFER
*Trustees—Hamilton Public Library.*

Hamilton, Massachusetts
February, 1960

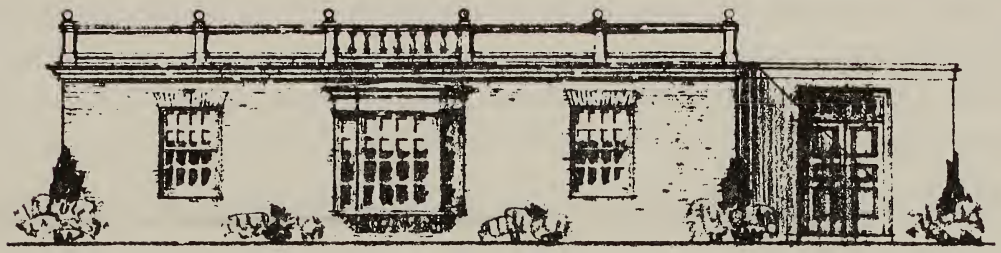
# PROPOSED LIBRARY - TOWN OF HAMILTON

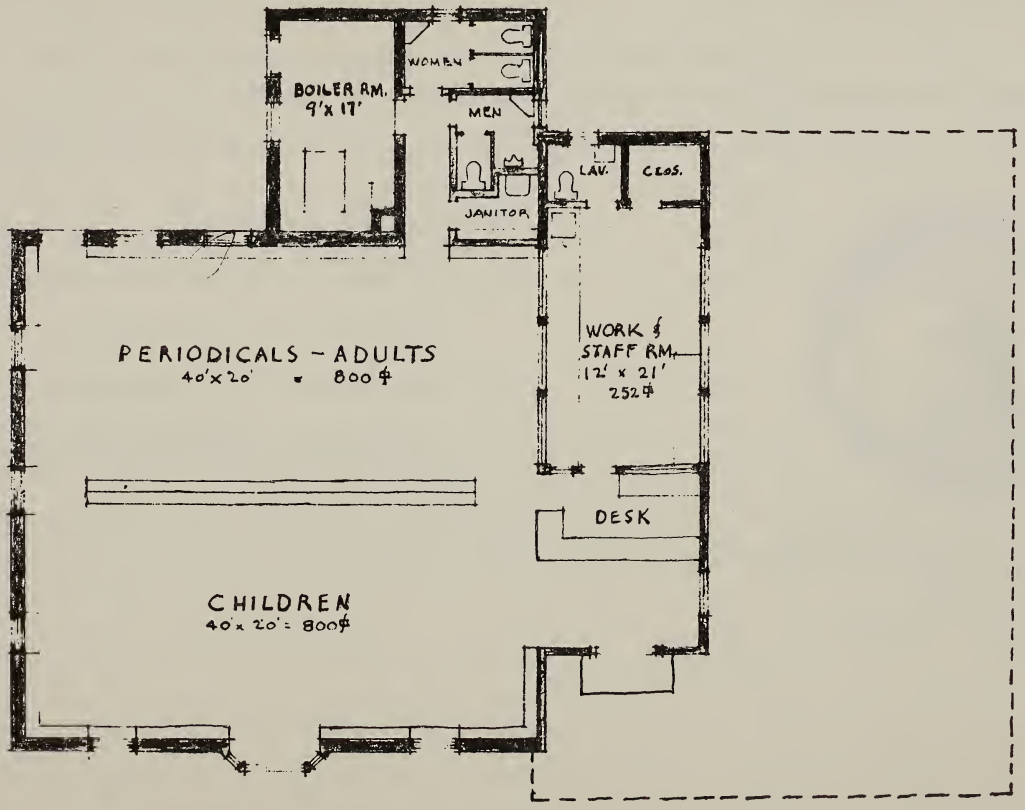
## Complete Facilities . . . . Article 8



# Alternate Library Proposal - Town of Hamilton

## Partial Facilities . . . . Article 9





# REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

Your trustees were heartened at the annual Town Meeting of last year by the substantial support given the proposed new library by citizens of the town. Although we were not successful, the trustees feel that public awareness of Hamilton's library plight was broadened. The past year has served to intensify the urgency of the town's need for single, unified library facilities. Hence the trustees feel they would be remiss in their duty if the subject were not again brought before the citizens at this year's meeting.

Consequently, two articles have been inserted in the warrant for the March meeting — one proposing complete facilities, the other a proposal by which the new library could be achieved in two steps over a period of time. The trustees, of course, favor the former, but in the face of our urgent need, and since cost was apparently the decisive factor in 1959, would settle for a partial and currently adequate library, always with the understanding that the second construction phase — as planned — would subsequently be undertaken.

We urge you to support new library construction. Not only is our present divided status uneconomic, requiring duplication of effort and expenditure, but it results in reduced service to citizen and student. What is more, the Lamson School which houses our branch library is progressively deteriorating. This winter we have been faced with roof leaks, frozen plumbing, loose windows and, of course, no sanitary facilities. Book circulation, even under these conditions, has increased by 2000 in the branch library alone. As for our main library, town officers are constantly pressing for additional space at Town Hall, which means that relinquishing our library area is imminent. We do not think that Hamilton's citizens are inclined to tolerate such a shameful situation. It is certainly not in keeping with the standards of the town we take such pride in. Your trustees feel that this is the year to take action, that delay merely compounds our problem, and earnestly hope that you will support a new library at the forthcoming town meeting.

This has been another record year for library circulation. In fact, as library use parallels school growth, our personnel and facilities are currently taxed to the utmost. We continue to supply books for circulation within the schools, and our resources are supplemented by the state's popular Regional Bookmobile service.

Mrs. Daniel E. Hughes, of Hamilton, was recently appointed Assistant Librarian to work under the direction of the Librarian. Mrs. Hughes had been a volunteer assistant, later becoming a member of the staff. In the past year she has completed three library training courses, two at the State Regional Headquarters in North Reading, one at Harvard College under University Extension auspices. Volunteers who have contributed

assistance during the year and to whom thanks are due are Miss Arlene Robbins and Miss Judith Noyes.

The trustees wish to express their deep gratitude to Mrs. Fred H. Brown, our able and dedicated librarian, for her patience and tireless diligence. Hamilton is much in her debt. We wish also to thank Mrs. Hughes, Miss Gabrielle Hurley, Mrs. Harry F. Clarke and Mrs. Orman J. Richards of the library staff for their excellent work during the year, as well as Mrs. Robert Goodhue, formerly of Hamilton and the staff, whose long and faithful service merits special mention.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. NEARY, *Chairman*

SARAH H. TRUSSELL

JANICE PULSIFER

*Library Trustees*

# REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Trustees of the Public Library:*

The Librarian herewith submits her report for the year 1959.

The year 1959 was in many ways an unusual one. It began in the midst of a crisis brought about by the lack of a librarian for the Branch. We undertook immediately an emergency training program for the willing and enthusiastic new staff recruited from our volunteers, Mrs. Daniel Hughes, Mrs. Harry F. Clarke, and Mrs. Orman Richards. One of our first steps was to take inventory of adult books. Over a period of several months we carried out a systematic weeding program and rearranged the books on the shelves. We apologize for the temporary confusion this may have caused. One patron said he felt like the man who never knew whether he had come home to the right house or not because his wife moved the furniture so often. However, these seemingly aimless activities resulted in more space for new acquisitions and a neater more serene and attractive appearance of the room in general. Furthermore, the staff obtained a much more intimate acquaintance with their 'stock' than could have been gained from many more months of mere routine circulation procedures. That it was not in vain is attested by the continued upward trend to an all-time high of 13,651 in circulation at the Branch.

Beginning in February, your Librarian and Mrs. Hughes took a courses in Problems of the Small Public Library given by Mrs. Rita Abbott at the State Regional Library Center in North Reading. Apart from the ideas and inspiration we gained directly from this course we found a morale builder in our association with other librarians who were faced with problems similar to ours. Informal meetings have since taken place, roughly once a month of Librarians from such North Shore towns as Ipswich, Manchester and Amesbury. We share both ideas and books. Those mystery stories you take out bearing the official seal of a neighboring town are on a form of inter-library loan and not as illegal as they look.

August brought another crisis with the resignation of a highly valued assistant, Mrs. Robert Goodhue. Again it was, "Volunteer to the rescue" and Miss Gabrielle M. Hurley is now an official member of the staff. In Miss Hurley we recently discovered a bonus in her unusual talent for mixing paint. Have you noticed how well the temporary shelves we bought to help out in the space emergency at the Main Library match the old woodwork?

In November we celebrated Children's Book Week with a series of reviews of the new juvenile books presented by Mrs. John Page, a former Children's Librarian, at each of the Hamilton Public Schools. The impact of this program was felt immediately in increased circulation of the books mentioned. There have been many requests from teachers, parents and children that we repeat the event.

Our book-selection policy this year was designed to strengthen our collection of adult non-fiction. Accordingly, we added approximately 100 older standard titles in the fields of psychology, religion, sociology and science, all expertly evaluated as the most authoritative and suitable for public library use. This, of course, was in addition to our usual acquisition of current fiction and non-fiction.

I wish to publicly welcome Mrs. Daniel Hughes as Assistant Librarian. Mrs. Hughes has recently completed an extension course in cataloging and classification but in addition to her formal training she brings many personal qualifications of even greater value to the position.

My deep appreciation goes out to the members of our staff for their faithful cooperation. Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Richards have worked cheerfully under the trying physical conditions that sometimes exist at the Branch. I wish to thank Miss Hurley for the many hours of voluntary service she has given both before and after she became a member of the staff. I join Mrs. Hughes in thanking Miss Judith Noyes and Miss Arlene Rollins for their many hours of voluntary assistance at the Branch.

No Library Report is complete without statistics but behind each of the figures that follow we hope you see services performed, books and people brought together, for that is the purpose for which your Library exists. To draw at random from the file of Memory, one unit of those figures represents Mr. S. with the book on steam engineering that opened the way to a better job for him, another represents Miss J. arms loaded with the books required for her extension course on the Modern Novel; and still another stands for Mr. D. who found the book on investment companies that made it possible for him to function more intelligently as a Trustee of his church.

| | *Main Library* | *Branch Library* |
|---|---|---|
| Adult Fiction | 3977 | 4502 |
| " " | 397 (Bookmobile) | 688 (Bookmobile) |
| Adult Non-Fiction | 1557 | 1134 |
| " " " | 407 (Bookmobile) | 360 (Bookmobile) |
| Juvenile Fiction | 2691 | 4023 |
| " | 604 (Bookmobile) | 841 (Bookmobile) |
| Juvenile Non-Fiction | 975 | 1077 |
| " " " | 196 (Bookmobile) | 378 (Bookmobile) |
| School Service | 2880 | |
| Periodicals | 1187 | 648 |
| | 14871 | 13651 |
| Total Circulation | 28522 | |
| Total Acquisitions | 925 (including 64 gifts) | |

| | *Main Library* | *Branch Library* | *Total* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Adult Fiction | 183 | 134 | 317 |
| Adult Non-Fiction | 153 | 87 | 240 |
| Juvenile Fiction | 93 | 115 | 208 |
| Juvenile Non-Fiction | 79 | 81 | 160 |
| Total | 508 | 417 | 925 |
| Fines Collected | $145.60 | $139.90 | $285.50 |

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE BROWN

*Librarian*

# REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

I herewith submit my report of the Highway Department of the year ending December 31, 1959.

Spring cleaning was carried out in the usual manner, roadsides were mowed at different times throughout the summer, guard rails were repaired and new posts replaced and painted.

Necessary patching and general maintenance work on streets was carried on throughout the year. Chapter 90 maintenance work was carried on by seal coating and covered with pea stone on a one mile stretch on Highland Street.

Drainage work, cleaning out storm drains and clearing outlets was done, and new drains added to the system.

The system of cooperation of labor and lending and borrowing of equipment between departments has proven very successful and a saving to the taxpayers.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the citizens of Hamilton and all Town Officials and Departments and the Highway employees that have assisted me in the past year. As in the past, the Highway Department remains cooperative in assisting all town departments wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. POOLE

*Highway Surveyor*

# REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

The Board of Park Commissioners herein submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The Department continued the maintenance of Manasseh Cutler Park, Soldier's Green, Robert Walsh Park at Chebacco Lake, Patton Park and the grounds at the Manasseh Cutler Elementary School and the High School. This coming year we will add the new Winthrop Elementary School grounds to the list. These Parks and grounds are under the able supervision of Mr. Henry Stelline, Park Superintendent.

The Playground season opened on June 22 and closed on August 28th. Registration was again around 300, with a good daily attendance. The children were under the supervision of the following Instructors: Miss Janet Smerage, Miss Sarah Jane O'Hara, Miss Nancy Garland and Mr. Bruce MacCurrach.

The regular daily program included both individual and team activities for the Intermediate and Senior groups as well as a daily handwork period for the younger boys and girls. Special events were held each week and several beachdays were enjoyed during the season.

For the baseball teams in town the Department maintains four baseball diamonds, with one more to be added this year at the Winthrop School. This year we purchased one more bleacher and hope to add one more this coming season. This will supply ample seating for both diamonds at Patton Park.

The skating season drew large crowds to Patton Park with excellent ice for several weeks. The rink has become a favorite spot for all ages during the winter season. The Department again held its annual ice skating carnival for the children of the town.

The 4th of July Holidays were again busy ones at Patton Park, with the annual Community Service Fair and its Bonfire and Fireworks.

The tennis courts were completely resurfaced this past year and repainted. These courts receive tremendous play during the summer months.

The Commissioners wish to express their sincere appreciation to all townspeople and departments who have assisted them during the past year.

ALBERT P. LOUGEE, *Chairman*

GEORGE H. RICKER

RAY M. SANFORD

# REPORT OF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Electrical Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1959.

A total of 221 permits have been issued covering the installation of wiring and appliances as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Commercial new buildings | 3 |
| Commercial old buildings | 1 |
| Dwellings, new construction | 38 |
| Temporary wiring, fairs, carnivals, etc. | 2 |
| Temporary services | 17 |
| New Services (replacements) | 38 |
| Oil Burners | 43 |
| Gas Burners | 6 |
| Electric Ranges | 13 |
| Electric Clothes Dryers | 15 |
| Domestic Water Heaters | 9 |
| Electric Dish Washers | 2 |
| Disposals (Garbage) | 1 |
| Additions and Repairs | 52 |
| Buildings Condemned due to fire | 1 |
| Electric Signs | 1 |
| Refrigeration (Commercial) | 1 |
| Air Conditioners (Commercial) | 2 |
| Gasoline Pumps | 1 |
| Electric Kilns | 1 |
| Swimming Pools | 2 |
| Elevators | 1 |
| Cancelled Permits | 2 |
| Inspection made on above | 421 |
| Advisory calls made | 39 |
| Calls for service locations | 42 |
| Work completed | 185 |

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Mr. Frank Dever and his successor, Mr. John Lang of the Merrimack Essex Electric Company, Fred Varney, Electrical Inspector of Wenham, Electrical Contractors and all the citizens I have come in contact with during the performance of my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT L. HAM

*Inspector of Wires*

# HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## ANNUAL REPORT

*To the Citizens of Hamilton and Wenham:*

The first step in the formation of a Regional School District is to organize and establish the region in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Therefore, on July 1, 1959, following the Town meeting of June 9th approving the Agreement, the Regional District School Committee met to organize and has been meeting regularly on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month. In addition, of course, there have been many special meetings.

Significant progress has been made in establishing a firm foundation on which to build a regional school, both literally and figuratively. The committee's prime job this fall was to set up an organization, establish the rules, set up target dates for the program, determine the initial educational requirements for the school (a continuing study), investigate sites, select an architect, secure competent educational advice and leadership, name the school district, select a seal and work out initial budgets.

Accordingly then, the following has been done:

A. The Regional School District was named "The Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District," an appropriate seal designed by Miss Jean Austin was selected, and by-laws were established.

B. On August 12th, the committee elected Dr. John H. Lawson, Superintendent of the schools in the Town of Hamilton to be Superintendent of the Regional High School District. Dr. Lawson is eminently qualified for the position. He has experience in new building construction, an excellent educational background, and an excellent teacher-administrator background, progressing up the line from a teacher and a teacher-coach to principal and superintendent in various school systems. The decision to elect Dr. Lawson Superintendent of the Region was probably the most important and far reaching decision made in the year just past.

C. Although the Regional School by-laws do not call for any standing committees, the use of sub-committees, composed of Regional School District Committee members and citizens of the Town of Hamilton and Wenham, is definitely a policy of the Region, particularly when important issues are involved. Three important subcommittees were established: An Architect Selection Committee; a Committee on Site; and an Educational Specifications Committee.

The Educational Specifications Committee, with Mr. Charles F. Terrell of the District as Chairman, and with the Rev. John H. Snow, Mr. Russell G. Cameron, Mrs. Richard C. Taylor, Mr. Roy Lane of Hamilton and Mr. Robert N. Secord, Mr. Charles W. Davis, Mr. John W. Page and Miss Hazel Bullis of Wenham as members, was asked to study and develop an educational philosophy, and further to recommend the curriculum required to meet the educational needs in the Towns of Hamilton and Wenham. The report of this committee will be ready some time about the first of January.

In addition to the Educational Specifications Committee, another group with Mr. James E. Hall of the District as Chairman, and composed of Mr. Bruce H. Anderson, Mrs. Vincent W. Jones, Mr. Edward J. Splaine of Wenham. Mrs. Harold W. Regan, Jr., Mr. Richard Wills and Mr. Henry J. Gourdeau of Hamilton was formed and given the job of helping to select a competent architect. This group screened many candidates for the architect's job and presented a series of recommendations to the regional committee. The end result of this was that the firm of Kilham, Hopkins, Greeley and Brodie was selected to develop the plans for the regional school.

Finally, the Site Committee headed by District Committee members Mr. James E. Hall of Hamilton and Mr. A. W. Dodge of Wenham and made up of Mr. Everett C. Haley, Mr. Jackson Garfield, Mr. James D'Arcy of Hamilton and Mr. Louis Dodge of Wenham has been studying land areas in the town that might be suitable for a High School. This committee, however, has not completed its work because it felt that site was of such importance that it would be best if its selection were coordinated with the work of the architect. Therefore, since the architect's selection took a longer time than we had anticipated, there is little to report on this important item at this time, except to say that several sites of varying quality are under consideration.

In the course of the last six months, the committee, besides its regularly scheduled meeting, has met at various times with the Finance and Advisory Board of both towns, the Selectmen of both towns and the Planning Board of both towns. In addition, members have visited and consulted with other Regional Schools, hiked over the sites under consideration and had meetings with the School Building Assistance Commission in Boston. It is the committee's intent to keep the two communities informed through just such meetings as we have indicated above but also through the various local papers. At such time as issues of real significance are decided, public hearings will be held to enable all who desire to participate insofar as they can in the development of your Regional School. We urge all citizens to take an active interest in the Regional School as the program develops in order that the best interests of our communities may be served.

In summary, we can state that, in our first six months of operating, we have established a base from which we can proceed satisfactorily toward the opening of a Regional High School by September 1962, thereby eliminating the possibility of double sessions in the Hamilton High

School and providing High School facilities for Wenham students who, after the entering class of September 1960, have no place to go for their High School education.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MAYNARD L. DIAMOND(W) *Chairman*
JAMES E. HALL (H), *Vice Chairman*
A. WINSLOW DODGE (W)
JOE Y. JACKSON (H), *Treasurer*
RICHARD PRESTON (H)
CHARLES F. TERRELL (W), *Secretary*

# HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1959

### Statement of Receipts and Disbursements

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash at beginning of period | | None |
| *Receipts:* | | |
| Hamilton | $4,777.42 | |
| Wenham | 2,872.58 | |
| Total cash available | | $7,650.00 |
| *Cash disbursements:* | | |
| Salaries (clerical and administrative) | $1,041.90 | |
| Office supplies | 134.49 | |
| Legal Service | 527.44 | |
| Miscellaneous disbursements | 30.00 | |
| Total disbursements | | 1,733.83 |
| *Cash available at end of period, December 31, 1959* | | $5,916.17 |
| *Accrued liabilities:* | | |
| Employee Withholding Tax | | $ 46.20 |
| Amounts due vendors | | .... |
| *Cash in bank at end of period, December 31, 1959* | | $5,962.37 |

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

The Board herewith submits its twenty-fourth annual report of the Water Department.

The total commitments for the year were $47,415.12.

The Department during the year continued to lay water mains under the Extension of Mains program. Approximately 2100 feet of 6″ x 8″ pipe was laid on Essex and Gardner Streets and Village Lane. The 8″ pipe laid on Essex Street tied in the existing dead ends.

Further testing for water was made in the Idlewood Lake area and a greater producing location has been found. It has been requested by the State Board of Health and our engineers that this location be used. The engineers are of the opinion it will pump 750,000 gallons a day.

In 1959 our water consumption showed an increase of approximately 25% over 1958, and no water was purchased from Essex during the year. Also, during 1959 111,369,900 gallons were used versus 83,996,350 gallons in 1958.

The system now has a total of 1506 services which is an increase of 43 over the previous year.

Again we wish to thank the residents of the Town of Hamilton and all the Town Departments for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD H. SMITH, *Chairman*
GEORGE A. HARRIGAN
GORDON L. THOMPSON
*Water Commissioners.*

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

The Board of Selectmen met and organized on March 16, 1959. Lawrence Lamson was elected chairman for the year 1959-1960. William F. MacKenzie was elected chairman of the Board of Health. Lawrence R. Stone was elected chairman of the Board of Public Welfare. Francis H. Whipple was appointed Clerk.

The various town officers under our jurisdiction requiring appointment were re-appointed.

Mr. Erving O. Maxwell, who so ably served the town as Sealer of Weights and Measures for so many years passed away during his term of office. Mr. George Dixon was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Thomas A. Sargent was appointed a member of the Board of Registrars of Voters to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Jessie Cunningham. Due to the resignation of Paul F. Perkins, Jr., a vacancy existed in the Planning Board. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Planning Board members, W. Whitney Lundgren was elected to fill this vacancy. Costas Caraganis was appointed a member of the Board of Appeals for a three year term.

The Board has held its regular weekly meetings every Monday evening and numerous special meetings throughout the year whenever necessary. The Board has been represented at State House Hearings on proposed legislation, attended conferences and meetings with state, county, and municipal officials on matters pertinent to the town.

The annual aerial spraying for mosquito control was carried out after the Board received approval and assurance from the State Board of Health that the program would have no injurious effects on the inhabitants of the town. This program was carried out in three stages. Reports indicate that the program was very effective in most parts of town. We recommend that this project be carried out again this coming year.

The Board vigorously opposed the proposal of the Merrimac Essex Electric Company to run high-tension wires through the town. The Board attended all the hearings on this subject held in Essex, Hamilton, and Ipswich. The matter is now before the Department of Public Utilities for consideration.

Under our annual Chapter 90 Construction program, the second section of School Street was completed and work commenced on Bridge Street. Present plans provide for the rebuilding of Walnut Road under this program after the completion of Bridge Street from Miles River Road to Woodbury Street. It is recommended that this program be continued the coming year with the town appropriating $3,500 as its share of the cost.

The Board recommends that the sum of $1,000.00 in matching funds be appropriated for Chapter 90 maintenance. This will enable Hamilton to maintain these roads at a portion of the total maintenance expense.

As voted at the Annual Town Meeting, a new Police Cruiser-Ambulance was purchased for the Police Department from Ipswich Motor Company, the lowest bidder.

In addition to the usual maintenance of the Town Hall building, the two ends were scraped and painted. We recommend that the rear and final portion of this project be done this year along with necessary interior maintenance.

We recommend that the sliding doors on the Health Department building be replaced with overhead doors. The present sliding doors are in poor condition and should be replaced to protect valuable town equipment.

The front of the Town Hall was landscaped with new shrubs and has received much favorable comment.

The coal-fired heating system at the Town Hall is old and antiquated. Parts for the system are hard to find or impossible to purchase. It is recommended that an oil burner be installed this coming year.

New street and traffic signs were erected and street lights installed where needed.

Street numbering of new homes has been brought up-to-date.

The sum of $1,000 for brook clearance voted in past years will not be asked for this year as this program will be carried out by available Board of Health employees.

As voted at the Special Town Meeting in June and by authorization of the State Legislature, the Board of Selectmen took the Depot Square property by eminent domain for town purposes, on January 7, 1960. A sum of $14,999.00 was awarded to the owner for damages. Due to legal technicalities there was considerable delay in acquiring this property. The Board attended many meetings with the Department of Public Utilities and Boston and Maine Railroad, and was successful in having the town relieved of being required to maintain a waiting room. It is planned that the triangle of the now town-owned Depot Square will be kept open for parking and eliminating traffic congestion. The Board will have an Article in the 1960 Town Warrant asking that a committee be appointed to make recommendations as to the future use or disposition of the Depot Building.

Several hearings have been held by the Board during the year, some on petitions to the Board for various permits, others on complaints to the Board. These hearings give interested persons an opportunity to express their views and in most cases brings out facts that are helpful to the Board in reaching a decision.

The Board has again this year as in the past, diligently continued its program and studies of the problems of the Town both present and long range. With the continuing growth of our town, we must be constantly studying our operations and expenditures to insure we are operating in the most efficient and businesslike manner, to continue to be progressive, give the taxpayer the most for his tax dollar and yet not find ourselves with a progressively high tax rate.

This report by no means covers the entire duties of the Board of Selectmen nor its complete activities during the year. It is a summary of accomplishments and recommendations which should be of the most interest to the voters.

In conclusion, we would like to thank the people of Hamilton for the privilege of again having served as your Selectmen. We have made every effort to solve your problems in a fair and satisfactory manner. Your patience and understanding have been most appreciated.

In addition, we take this opportunity to thank all appointees of the Board of Selectmen and other town departments and the town employees for the splendid cooperation they have given the Board during the year. It is only working as a team that a growing community such as ours can best be served.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE LAMSON

WILLIAM F. MacKENZIE

LAWRENCE R. STONE

*Board of Selectmen.*

# REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

I herewith submit my report as Treasurer of the Town of Hamilton for the year ending December 31, 1959.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance January 1, 1959: | | |
| Checking Acct. Beverly Trust Co. | $ 188,154.65 | |
| Checking Acct. Merchants National | 138,601.65 | |
| Invested in Treasury Bills | 198,582.00 | |
| Cash on Hand in Office | 3.96 | $ 525,342.26 |
| Receipts during the year | | 1,220,768.67 |
| Total Balance on Hand and Receipts | | $1,746,110.93 |
| Payments during the year | | 1,473,684.04 |
| Balance December 31, 1959 | | $ 272,426.89 |
| Checking Acct. Beverly Trust Co. | $ 131,582.03 | |
| Checking Acct. Merchants National | 36,376.93 | |
| Invested Time Deposit Acct. | 100,000.00 | |
| Cash on Hand | 4,448.73 | |
| Protested Check on Hand | 19.20 | |
| | | $ 272,426.89 |

As has been the case for the previous two years, it became necessary during the month of May to borrow money in anticipation of revenue in order to meet town expenses until sufficient revenue had been received by the payment of taxes. The loan of $100,000. was obtained from the Beverly Trust Company at an interest rate of 1.875%, the lowest of several bids received. This note became due on November 14th, but was paid on November 1st as funds were available, and which resulted in a refund by the Beverly Trust Company of $50. which had the effect of reducing the actual interest paid for the loan. It would seem that where we have $40,000 school bonds, plus interest, to be paid on February 1st, it will be necessary to make temporary loans of this nature for several years to come unless we are able to build up our Excess and Deficiency Account to a sizeable amount.

As in 1958, I was able to invest bond issue money in short term Treasury Bills, and a "Time Deposit" in the Beverly Trust Company which resulted in several hundred dollars interest being received by the town. This interest was credited to our Excess and Deficiency Account and increased the amount of our surplus revenue accordingly.

I again extend my appreciation to Mr. Coy and Mr. Clark of the Merchants National Bank of Boston, and Mr. Corning of the Beverly Trust Company for their sincere interest in the financial welfare of the Town of Hamilton. Although no money was borrowed during the year under a bond issue, these men have continued their interest and service to the Town in temporary loans and assistance in purchase of treasury bills and making time deposits. I express my sincere appreciation to all town officials and employees, and all townspeople who have assisted me in my duties during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT F. HALEY

*Town Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

I herewith submit a report of the Tree and Moth Departments for the year 1959.

There were 84 maple trees planted on various streets in town.

Brush and undergrowth has been cut and burned on most every street. We had 41 elm trees with Dutch Elm Disease last year. These were cut down and burned as required by law. All elm trees were sprayed three times for the elm bark beetle the carrier of the Dutch Elm Disease.

I wish to thank all Departments for their valuable assistance during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

*Tree Warden.*

# REPORT OF THE CIVIL DEFENSE AGENCY

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

Regardless of the fact that Civil Defense was curtailed on the State Level, we in Hamilton continued to build our organization in 1959.

The Welfare branch, under the able direction of Bernard Cullen and his assistant Mrs. Standish Bradford continued to recruit and train personnel. Many persons were able to attend various training sessions and received valuable information. At present Mr. Cullen is in need of volunteers to fill out the full complement of trained personnel required to cover all phases of Wefare work.

Our Radio section has been taken over by Mr. William O. Hamlin. The men have a weekly training program and tie in with the Sector training program. This proved its worth when we were called on to assist the Town of Wenham when they had a case of a child lost in Wenham swamp. We are interested in signing up any person who has radio knowledge.

The Auxiliary Police, under the direction of George W. Dixon, did a very able job again during the year. Working under the direction of Chief Edward Frederick the Auxiliary Police put in a total of 556 man hours at no cost to the Town. We, of the Town of Hamilton, are very fortunate to have a group of men to call on in time of emergency.

The Civil Defense Agency has tried to keep the Town Departments notified of training programs with a request that those people interested be allowed to take the instruction. Cooperation has been good.

The Town is setting up a radio communications network to embrace all town departments. Money was appropriated to cover one-half the cost of this operation at last year's Annual Town Meeting. In the meantime we have run into conditions and regulations that have slowed us down. One of these problems was the need of emergency generation in case of power failure. The cost to the town of a new generator would have been $2,000 which had not been appropriated. After much search and due investigation such a unit was found and duly procured through Civil Defense Headquarters at a cost of $100 to Hamilton. We are now awaiting Federal approval and will have this service ready for operation when this town goes on dial telephone. At various times throughout the year we have participated in the surplus program obtaining for the town materials at a fraction of actual cost.

In the coming year we have plans coming along that will further train and educate our townspeople in Civil Defense preparedness.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY E. BARNES

*Civil Defense Director.*

# REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

*To the Board of Selectmen:*

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

Total Arrests.....48

Male.....44 Female.....0 Juvenile.....4

## CLASSIFICATION OF CRIMES

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Allowing improper person to operate a motor vehicle | 2 | Lewd and lascivious | 1 |
| Assault | 1 | Operating after right suspended | 2 |
| Attaching improper plates to a motor vehicle | 2 | Operating under the influence | 3 |
| Breaking and entering | 5 | Operating without a license | 2 |
| Driving to endanger | 4 | Robbery (Armed) | 1 |
| Drunkenness | 11 | Speeding | 4 |
| Failing to keep to the right | 2 | Uninsured Motor Vehicle | 3 |
| Larceny | 2 | Unregistered Motor Vehicle | 3 |

## DISPOSITION OF CASES

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dismissed | 5 | Not Guilty | 5 |
| Filed | 8 | Released | 8 |
| Fined | 16 | Sentenced | 6 |

## AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| Accident reports filed | 53 |
| Automobile transfers | 257 |
| Equipment tags issued | 104 |
| Licenses revoked by Registrar | 76 |
| Registrations revoked by Registrar | 6 |

## MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|---|---|
| Accident investigated | 39 |
| Ambulance runs to hospital | 143 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Assistance to out of town police | 75 |
| Dangerous wires reported | 10 |
| Dog complaints investigated | 89 |
| Summons served | 81 |
| Street lights reported out | 275 |

I again express my sincere appreciation to the Beverly Police Department for its continued cooperation in handling calls for our cruiser radio, and for assistance in police work; also to the Wenham Police Department and the Hamilton Auxiliary Police who rendered valuable assistance on many occasions. The continued cooperation of the local telephone operators is also greatly appreciated. To all townspeople and others who have assisted the Police Department during the year, I extend my sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD H. FREDERICK

*Chief of Police.*

# REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:*

The Engineers of the Fire Department herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The Department responded to 81 alarms.

The amount of hose laid: ¾"—6700 feet; 1½"—1800 feet; 2½"—2700 feet.

The amount of water used from booster tanks was 8050 gallons.

500 feet of 2½" and 400 ft. of 1½" hose was purchased this year.

A smoke ejector was bought for ventilation.

We recommend the replacing of the 1935 Dodge with a modern piece of apparatus.

## ALARMS FOR 1959

### JANUARY 1959

| *Date* | *Dist. No.* | *Nature* | *Location* | *Owner* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | 16 | Chimney, | Off Bay Road | Myopia Club |
| 9 | 21 | Grass, | Walnut Road | I. G. A. Market |
| 14 | 21 | Auto, | Asbury Street | |
| 19 | 21 | Fuel Tank Leak, | Asbury Street | Allen Fuel Company |
| 24 | 32 | Chimney, | Highland Street | Louis Davino |
| 24 | 21 | Transformer, | Park Street | George Grant |

### FEBRUARY 1959

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 31 | Grass, | Highland Street | Sumner Pingree |
| 3 | 21 | Grass, | Asbury Street | W. R. Herrick |
| 3 | 16 | Chimney, | Essex Street | W. L. McCann |
| 7 | 24 | Grass, | Off Bay Road | H. A. Laughlin |
| 16 | 3-3-3 | Beverly | | |
| 17 | 3-3-3 | Beverly | | |

### MARCH 1959

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | 31 | Chimney, | Asbury Street | Asbury Street Market |
| 11 | 21 | Roof, | Railroad Avenue | H & W News |
| 24 | 32 | Inhalator | | |
| 24 | 21 | Kitchen, | Linden Street | Jack Mazzotti |
| 28 | 31 | Chimney, | Highland Street | Gladys Johnson |

### APRIL 1959

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5 | 31 | Brush, | Harris Avenue | R. L. Davis |
| 5 | 23 | Grass, | Ortins Road | Wallace Livingstone |
| 5 | 31 | Grass, | Off Lincoln Avenue | Gladys Johnson |
| 7 | 32 | Grass, | Winthrop Street | J. S. Laurence |
| 7 | 23 | Grass, | Bay Road | H. A. Daley |
| 7 | 31 | Grass, | Asbury Street | Mrs. C. H. Knowles |

| *Date* | *Dist. No.* | *Nature* | *Location* | *Owner* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | 21 | Grass, | Walnut Road | Dr. Henry Larchez |
| 8 | 31 | Grass, | Off Asbury Street | Asbury Grove Corp. |
| 8 | 13 | Grass, | Post Gate Road | J. M. Hurley |
| 8 | 24 | Grass, | Bay Road | R. S. Hayward |
| 8 | 14 | Grass, | Essex Street | J. W. Mann |
| 8 | 31 | Grass, | Topsfield Road | Town of Hamilton |
| 8 | 23 | Grass, | Cutler Road | Town of Hamilton |
| 9 | 16 | Grass, | Essex Street | Town of Hamilton |
| 12 | 24 | Grass, | Sagamore Farm Road | Costas Caraganis |
| 12 | 21 | Grass, | Off Bay Road | Myopia Club |
| 14 | 31 | Grass, | Lincoln Avenue | C. F. Blaney |
| 14 | 34 | Grass, | Goodhue Street | F. R. Appleton-Robert Chetty |
| 15 | 16 | Grass, | Essex Street | Charles A. Stewart |
| 17 | 31 | Grass, | Highland Street | Sumner Pingree |
| 17 | 32 | Grass, | Winthrop St. | Heath Morse |
| 17 | 12 | Auto, | Bridge Street | |
| 18 | 17 | Rug, | Gregory Island | Joseph Filtrani |
| 22 | 31 | Mattress, | Gifford Road | S. C. Peek |
| 24 | 23 | (Grass, Brush), | Bay Road | Town of Hamilton |
| 24 | 15 | Auto, | Chebacco Road | |
| 25 | 21 | Grass, | Union Street | Elizabeth Fitz |
| 25 | 23 | Grass, | Rock Maple Avenue | Thomas Cashin |
| 25 | 41 | Grass, | Highland Street | R. J. Gauthier |
| 25 | 15 | Woods, | Chebacco Road | Gordon College |
| 26 | 31 | Grass, | Topsfield Road | Town of Hamilton |
| 26 | 24 | Brush, | Moulton Street | Francis Whipple |
| | | | MAY 1959 | |
| 6 | 23 | House, | Bay Road | John Hollister |
| 23 | 31 | Dump, | Western Avenue | Amos Fuller Jr. |
| 29 | 13 | Leaves, | Dodge Park | H. K. Spears |
| 31 | 21 | Auto | | |
| | | | JUNE 1959 | |
| 27 | 31 | Mattress, | Gifford Road | S. C. Peek |
| | | | JULY 1959 | |
| 5 | 34 | Oil Burner, | Highland Street | George Horn |
| 9 | 16 | Hay Baler, | Woodbury Street | Helen Frick |
| 7 | 24 | Inhalator | | |
| 14 | 31 | Auto | | |
| 17 | 21 | Auto | | |
| 20 | 41 | Television Set, | Lake Drive | H. Stevens |
| 21 | 24 | Auto | | |
| 22 | 21 | Oil Burner, | Lois Street | Fred Johnson |
| | | | AUGUST 1959 | |
| 1 | 13 | Building, | Essex Street | Morley Piper |
| | | | SEPTEMBER 1959 | |
| 6 | 31 | House, | Arthur Avenue | Mrs. W. Bullerwell |
| 10 | 24 | Fat in an oven, | Bay Road | Oliver Wolcott Jr. |
| 14 | 17 | Tree, | Forest Street | |
| 15 | 41 | False | | |
| 15 | 21 | Smoke in a school, | Bay Road | |
| 30 | 21 | Steam in a cellar, | Home St. | Gordon Hemenway |

OCTOBER 1959

| *Date* | *Dist. No.* | *Nature* | *Location* | *Owner* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | 23 | Mattress, | Homestead Circle | Leonard Hatch |
| 7 | 16 | Oil Burner, | Off Bridge St. | Carmelite Seminary |
| 7 | 16 | Oil Burner, | Off Bay Road | Myopia Club |
| 15 | 31 | Gas Stove, | Garfield Avenue | Fred Morris |
| 30 | 32 | Tractor, | Cutler Road | |
| 31 | | Inhalator | | |

NOVEMBER 1959

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | 12 | Truck, | Bridge Street | Gordon Thompson |
| 13 | 25 | Rescue a dog, | Cutler Road | |
| 27 | 3-3-3 | Lighting unit sent to | Wenham | |
| 20 | 21 | Electric Wire, | Asbury Street | Earl Trefry |
| 24 | | Auto | | |

DECEMBER 1959

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19 | 3-3-3 | Barn, | Ipswich |

We wish to thank all who have assisted the Department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, *Chief*
RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN
*Fire Engineers.*

# REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

*To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:*

The Board of Public Welfare submits the Annual Report of the Welfare Department for the year ending December 31, 1959.

The case load remains the same at the beginning and end of the year with nine cases removed and nine cases added to the rolls. Despite the increase in hospital rates for the second consecutive year and higher costs for medication, the only category to show an increase in expenditure was General Relief. The other three categories of Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and Disability Assistance decreased from the previous year. The higher benefits and new awards of Social Security to recipients on our rolls during the year helped to reduce the expenditures in these programs

The following figures show the expenditures for 1959 and the amount of reimbursements from Federal, State and other sources. The amounts may not be the same as actually received because of the overlapping of the reimbursement of one year with the next year.

## GENERAL RELIEF

| *Expenditures* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| By Town | $ 2,340.34 | Cost to Town | $ 2,340.34 |

## DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

| *Expenditures* | | *Reimbursements* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| By Town | $ 9,499.34 | Federal Government | $ 2,687.50 |
| | | State of Mass. | 4,507.31 |
| | | Individuals | 22.90 |
| | | Net Cost to Town | 2,281.63 |

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

| *Expenditures* | | *Reimbursements* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| By Town | $ 1,976.71 | Federal Government | $ 1,791.00 |
| | | State of Mass. | 809.75 |
| | | Individuals | 55.00 |
| | | Net Cost to Town | Cr. 679.04 |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| *Expenditures* | | *Reimbursements* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| By Town | $43,872.93 | Federal Government | $21,570.00 |
| | | State of Mass. | 14,422.62 |
| | | Cities and Towns | 734.75 |
| | | Individuals | 135.95 |
| | | Net Cost to Town | 7,009.61 |

The Board wishes to thank all who assisted this Department during the past year, especially the local Doctors, Visiting Nurse Association, and the Community Emergency Aid Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE R. STONE

LAWRENCE LAMSON

WILLIAM F. MacKENZIE

*Board of Public Welfare.*

1959

# TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT

In Account with the Town of Hamilton

| Year | Tax | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1959 | Refunds | Abate. Rescinded | Collected | Abate-ments | Tax Title | Un-collected |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1957 | Motor Excise | $100.84 | | $249.92 | $266.20 | 84.56 | | None |
| 1958 | Real Estate | 11,163.06 | 240.30 | | 10,716.96 | 686.40 | | None |
| 1958 | Personal | 1,765.45 | | | 850.25 | 894.40 | | 20.80 |
| 1958 | Moth | 1.60 | | | 1.60 | | | None |
| 1958 | Water Liens | 753.20 | | | 753.20 | | | None |
| 1958 | Motor Excise | 12,759.31 | | | | | | |
| | M. Ex. Commitments 1959 | 2,002.53 | 740.97 | 8.28 | 12,747.84 | 2,666.60 | | 96.65 |
| | | | *1959 Commitments* | | | | | |
| 1959 | Real Estate | 538,154.12 | 1,149.50 | | 510,290.72 | 15,421.20 | 50.40 | 13,541.30 |
| 1959 | Personal | 33,702.48 | | | 32,650.80 | 49.28 | | 1,002.40 |
| 1959 | Moth | 405.70 | | | 396.40 | | | 9.30 |
| 1959 | Polls | 3,022.00 | 2.00 | | 2,652.00 | 356.00 | | 16.00 |
| 1959 | Motor Excise | 92,109.15 | 1,239.42 | | 71,774.35 | 7,076.60 | | 14,497.62 |
| 1959 | Cemetery Balance | 67.00 | | | | | | |
| | Cemetery Commitment | 450.00 | | | 421.00 | | | 96.00 |
| 1959 | Water Rates Balance | 11,594.02 | | | | | Liens | |
| | Water Rates Com. | 45,211.50 | 37.00 | | 41,769.69 | 683.20 | 1,446.70 | 12,942.93 |
| 1959 | Water Services Bal. | 260.80 | | | | | | |
| | Water Services Com. | 2,203.62 | 3.00 | | 2,103.75 | 3.00 | | 360.67 |
| 1959 | Water Liens | 1,446.70 | | | 982.40 | | | 464.30 |

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA L. CROWELL, *Town Collector*

ERVING O. MAXWELL

Erving O. Maxwell, son of Orrin R. and Phebe H. Maxwell was born in Sweden, Maine, April 3, 1877, and settled in Hamilton more than 30 years ago.

A jeweller by trade, with an office in Salem for many years and a recognized watch repairer by the Boston and Maine Railroad, he became widely known for his outstanding ability in his vocation.

He was appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Hamilton in 1936 and held this position until his death, October 17, 1959.

Always sincere in his work, conscientious and fair to all, ever ready to lend a helping hand, he will long be remembered by all who knew him.

# WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING 1960

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ESSEX, ss. *To the Constable of the Town of Hamilton:*

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in election and Town affairs, to meet in the HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM in said Town on Monday, the seventh day of March, nineteen hundred and sixty (March 7, 1960) at eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 P.M.) then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To bring your ballots for:

Moderator for one year.
Town Clerk for one year.
Three Selectmen for one year.
Treasurer for one year.
Tax Collector for one year.
Assessor for three years.
Tree Warden for one year.
Highway Surveyor for one year.
Two members of the School Committee for three years.
One member of the Hamilton—Wenham Regional District School Committee for three years.
One member of the Hamilton—Wenham Regional District School Committee for two years.
Trustee of Public Library for three years.
Water Commissioner for three years.
Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
Park Commissioner for three years.
Member of Planning Board for five years.
Member of Planning Board for one year (to fill vacancy).

And to vote yes or no on the following question:

"Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year nineteen hundred and sixty, entitled 'An Act providing tenure of office for the chief of police of the town of Hamilton' be accepted?"

| | |
|---|---|
| Yes. | |
| No. | |

The above named officers and question to be voted for on one ballot on TUESDAY, the FIFTEENTH DAY OF MARCH, 1960 (MARCH 15, 1960) in the HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM. The polls will be opened at 8:00 o'clock A.M. and will close at 8:00 P.M.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways, and all other Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance of various streets in town, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a new Fire Truck and equipment for use by the Fire Department, provide for the turning in of the present Dodge fire truck toward the purchase price thereof, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to construct, originally equip and furnish a new library building to provide *complete library facilities,* and for said purposes (a) to employ an architect and let contracts and (b) to transfer to the custody and control of the Library Trustees from the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen a parcel of land on Bay Road on which said Library shall be located, such parcel being of approximately 40,000 square feet, and being bounded approximately 200 feet on Bay Road and approximately 200 feet deep, and lying between the new Fire House and the Elementary School, as more fully shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk; and for the foregoing purposes to raise and appropriate a sum of money, and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised, whether by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer of available funds, or otherwise, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Library Trustees to construct, originally equip and furnish a new library building to provide *partial facilities deemed to be presently adequate,* and for said purposes (a) to employ an architect and let contracts and (b) to transfer to the custody and control of the Library Trustees from the School Committee and the Board of Selectmen a parcel of land on Bay Road on

which said Library shall be located approximately 200 feet on Bay Road and approximately 200 feet deep, and lying between the new Fire House and the Elementary School, as more fully shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk; and for the foregoing purpose to raise and appropriate a sum of money, and to determine the manner in which the appropriation is to be raised, whether by borrowing, by taxation, by transfer of available funds, or otherwise, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by purchase or eminent domain for water purposes a parcel of land belonging to Massachusetts Audubon Society and others of approximately six and one-half (6½) acres as shown on a plan on file with the Town Clerk, and to acquire adequate rights of way thereto, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of exploring for additional water for the Town's water system, including the hiring of engineers, the making of tests, and the purchase of equipment for the foregoing purpose, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for mosquito control in the Town, the work to be done under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 13 To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $4,000 from the Overlay Reserve Account to the Finance Committee Reserve Fund, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of $1,000 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to the Cemetery Account for improvements to the Town Cemetery, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and approve the Board of Assessors to use available funds or "free cash" in an amount not to exceed the sum of $30,000 in determining the tax rate for the year 1960, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to establish a radio communication center in the town under Federal Communication Commission license to be operated under the direction of the Selectmen and in connection therewith to authorize the Selectmen to purchase and maintain radio equipment for the center in town vehicles and installations, and to establish an organization for the operation of the Center on a 24-hour basis and to enter into an agreement with the Town of Wenham whereby said town may be served by said center by tying in its radio facilities with

the center, for which service the Town of Wenham will pay the Town of Hamilton substantially one-half the cost of operating and maintaining said communication center; and to raise and appropriate sums of money for the foregoing purposes, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Protective By-Law by changing the area on the Southerly side of Essex Street between Woodbury Street and Chebacco Road to a depth of two hundred (200) feet from Residence B to Residence A to correspond with opposite side of street as shown on the zoning map, Hamilton, Massachusetts filed with the Town Clerk, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 8C of Chapter 40 of the General Laws inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 223 of the Acts of 1957, being an act providing for the establishment of a Conservation Commission for the promotion, development and better utilization of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources of the Town, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to increase to an amount not exceeding twelve hundred dollars the annual amount of any retirement allowance, pension, annuity or other benefit payable by it under any general or special law, to specified former officials or employees or to his dependent as provided in such general or special law in accordance with Chapter 32, Section 96 of the General Laws inserted by Chapter 513 of the Acts of 1959, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five residents of the Town to examine into the desirability of establishing a Public Works Department for the town and to report thereon at the next annual town meeting; and if such report is favorable, to recommend as to the functions and organization of such department and the form of special legislation, if any, needed therefor, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 21 To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office of the Selectmen from one to three years, to become effective commencing with the election of town officers in 1961, such change to be effected by the election in 1961 of one Selectman for a term of three years, one Selectman for the term of two years, and one Selectman for the term of one year, and by the election each year thereafter of one Selectman for a term of three years, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to amend Chapter VI of the By-laws by adding a new Section 4 thereto as follows:

"4. There shall be established a Board of Appeals under the Subdivision Control Law, so-called, as provided by Section 81Z of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, such Board of Appeals to

be the existing Board of Appeals under the Protective (Zoning) By-law";
or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of five residents of the Town to examine into the uses which may be made of the land in South Hamilton at Depot Square, consisting of 14,900 square feet more or less, and the railroad station and baggage building thereon, the same having been recently acquired by the town, and to report their recommendations thereon to the town not later than the next annual town meeting, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote under Massachusetts General Laws (Ter. Ed.) Chapter 121, Section 26K, as amended, to establish a Housing Authority and in that connection to make any and all determinations and declarations deemed necessary or desirable, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Building By-Law of the Town in the following respects:

(A) By inserting the following new Article No. 11A:

ARTICLE 11A—MEANS OF EGRESS

Section 1. Secondary Exit: A secondary exit shall be available to each separate family unit above the first floor, consisting of an exterior stairway or a fire escape of incombustible construction approved by the Building Inspector, with access to the street or a second interior enclosed stairway.

Section 2. From Basements: Every cellar or basement shall have a direct means of egress from the basement level to the outside.

(B) By striking out Article 15 and inserting a new Article 15 as follows:

ARTICLE 15—FEES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Dwelling (Initial) | $10.00 |
| | Cost exceeding $10,000 each $1,000 or fraction thereof | 1.00 |
| 2. | Garage, accessory building, alteration, addition, moving: | |
| | Operation costing up to $3,000 | 3.00 |
| | Cost exceeding $3,000 each $1,000 or fraction thereof | 1.00 |
| 3. | Demolition | 1.00 |
| 4. | Any building not covered by the above: | |
| | For operation costing up to $1,000 | 3.00 |
| | For each cost of $1,000 above the first $1,000 | 1.00 |

or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time as provided for by Section 4 of Chapter 44, General Laws and amendments thereto in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1961, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and amendments thereto, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use, or take any other action thereon or relative thereto.

Article 28. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, and one at each of the Post Offices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of January, A.D., 1960.

LAWRENCE LAMSON
WILLIAM F. MacKENZIE
LAWRENCE R. STONE
*Selectmen of Hamilton.*

# REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

As inevitably the case, municipalities with growing pains incur a continued increase in operating expenses and, unfortunately, the Town of Hamilton is no exception to this rule. The 1960 budget, as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Committee, represents an increase of nearly $80,000 over the budget for the preceding year. In short, the 1960 budget totals roughly $900,000, as compared to $820,000 for 1959, which, in turn, represented an increase of $107,000 over 1958. As a matter of fact, this trend will continue in the near future, occasioned by a further growth in population and the new regional school project. While this Committee endeavors to keep any increase in the tax rate to an absolute minimum, we, of course, must not be unmindful of providing all the necessary services which are in the best interests of all the taxpayers of the Town. As far as the financial status is concerned, the Town remains in sound condition, which is really of primary importance to all of us.

The following lists the major increases of the 1960 budget over 1959:

| | 1959 | 1960 | *Increases* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Education | $384,000 | $433,000 | $49,000 |
| 2. Highways | 66,000 | 74,000 | 8,000 |
| 3. Health and Sanitation | 24,000 | 30,000 | 6,000 |
| 4. Protection | 44,000 | 48,000 | 4,000 |
| 5. General Government | 40,000 | 43,000 | 3,000 |
| | | | $70,000 |

In addition, there appears for the first time in the budget the Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District for the amount of nearly $7,000, and the balance is spread among Unclassified, representing largely increased insurance charges, Pensions, Water Department, Libraries, and others to a lesser degree.

1. Of the $49,000 increase in Education, the Expense of Instruction accounts for almost $35,000, resulting from a full year of operation of the Winthrop School and salary adjustments. Also, there is an increase of $10,000 in Operation of Plant, plus $4,000 in Auxiliary Agencies covering transportation, as well as $2,000 increase in Textbooks and Supplies. General Control Expense shows a reduction of some $2,900. Altogether, Education, including the Regional School, represents 70% of the $80,000 increase in the budget.

2. Highways are faced with additional manpower requirements and higher maintenance costs. Furthermore, the purchase of a basin cleaner in the amount of $3,400 is recommended, as this is necessary equipment which has been borrowed from one of the neighboring towns on occasion.

3. The increase in Health and Sanitation stems from heavier labor requirements, particularly in the case of Garbage and Refuse Disposal, which will mean an improvement in services rendered.

4, 5, 6. Salary adjustments deemed expedient by the Finance Committee account generally for the increases in these categories, although some additional expenses are needed in General Government; such as, replacement of equipment in the Town offices and more repairs for the Town Hall.

## COMPARATIVE CONSOLIDATED BUDGETS

| | 1958 | | 1959 | | 1960 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | % | Amount | % | Amount | % | Amount |
| Education | 47.0 | $332,562 | 47.3 | $383,644 | 48.0 | $432,763 |
| Debt Retirement and Interest | 13.0 | 92,000 | 15.0 | 124,000 | 13.4 | 120,300 |
| Highways | 9.1 | 63,836 | 8.0 | 66,149 | 8.2 | 73,778 |
| Gen. Government | 6.2 | 44,136 | 5.8 | 47,514 | 5.9 | 53,023 |
| Welfare and Benefits | 7.1 | 50,120 | 6.2 | 51,370 | 5.7 | 51,370 |
| Public Service | 5.5 | 45,294 | 5.8 | 47,870 | 5.6 | 49,898 |
| Protection | 5.5 | 38,854 | 5.3 | 43,584 | 5.4 | 48,060 |
| Health | 3.0 | 20,875 | 2.7 | 24,292 | 3.2 | 29,534 |
| Unclassified | 2.1 | 15,300 | 2.2 | 17,700 | 2.1 | 19,400 |
| Recreation | 1.5 | 10,586 | 1.7 | 14,677 | 1.7 | 14,735 |
| Regional School | — | —— | — | —— | .8 | 6,909 |
| Total | | $713,563 | | $820,800 | | $899,770 |

## ACTION ON SPECIAL ARTICLES 1960 WARRANT

ARTICLE 5: Chapter 90 Highway Construction. Cost to the Town $3,500. Recommended.

This amount plus funds contributed by the State and County will be used for further repair work on Bridge Street.

ARTICLE 6: Chapter 90 Maintenance. Recommended.

ARTICLE 7: Cost of approximately $8,000 for the purchase of a new fire truck. Recommended.

This will replace a 25-year old truck which has just about answered its last call.

ARTICLE 8 and 9: Cost of approximately $90,000 and $65,000 respectively for constructing, equipping and furnishing new or partial Library facilities. Not recommended.

The Committee has given these Articles serious consideration and recommends deferment until a later date. The Town is involved in an

extensive and expensive School expansion program and will incur additional bonded indebtedness in this connection of over $1,000,000 which will result in a total bonded indebtedness in excess of $2,000,000. We recognize the desirability of better Library facilities but, in view of our current financial demands, we feel this proposal should be tabled.

ARTICLE 11: Cost to the Town $2,000. Recommended.

This amount will finance necessary tests and is the first step toward increasing the Town water supply which is a matter of urgent need.

ARTICLE 12: Cost to the Town $2,500. Recommended.

The Committee feels this is favored by the majority of the citizens and therefore recommends the Article.

ARTICLE 13: Transfer of $4,000 from Overlay Reserve Account to Reserve Fund. Recommended.

This is simply a bookeeping transaction and does not entail any appropriation.

ARTICLE 15: Use of Free Cash in determining tax rate. Recommended.

This Article permits the Assessors to draw on the Excess and Deficiency Fund to the extent of $30,000 to lower the 1960 tax rate.

ARTICLE 16: Cost to the Town $9,500. Recommended.

This will establish necessary communication facilities which will be of vital importance, particularly in the case of emergencies. Under agreement, one-half of the annual operating and maintenance expenses will be paid by the Town of Wenham.

ARTICLE 20: The establishment of a Public Works Department. Recommended.

The Finance Committee is of the opinion this would be a constructive step and recommends that a Committee be appointed by the Moderator to conduct an investigation in this connection.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. GARLAND, *Chairman*

CLARK S. SEARS

THOMAS G. STEVENSON

HAROLD D. MOSES

WILLIAM F. COX

# TOWN OF HAMILTON

## 1960 Budget

*Recommended by the Town Finance Committee*

| *Item No.* | *Expended* 1958 | *Expended* 1959 | | *Recommended* 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | GENERAL GOVERNMENT | |
| 1 | $..... | $..... | Moderator | $..... |
| | | | Finance and Advisory Committee: | |
| 2 | 15.00 | 15.00 | Expenses | 15.00 |
| | | | Selectmen: | |
| 3 | 1,150.00 | 1,150.00 | Salaries | 1,150.00 |
| 4 | 3,996.04 | 4,390.38 | Expenses | 5,000.00 |
| | | | Town Accountant: | |
| 5 | 4,350.00 | 4,550.00 | Salary | 4,895.00 |
| 6 | 298.54 | 398.62 | Expenses | 400.00 |
| | | | Treasurer: | |
| 7 | 1,700.00 | 1,751.00 | Salary | 1,856.00 |
| 8 | 468.82 | 525.00 | Expenses | 525.00 |
| | | | Tax Collector: | |
| 9 | 2,120.00 | 2,184.00 | Salary | 2,315.00 |
| 10 | 995.35 | 1,085.22 | Expenses | 1,100.00 |
| | | | Assessors: | |
| 11 | 2,481.25 | 2,440.00 | Salaries | 2,650.00 |
| 12 | 566.46 | 645.41 | Expenses | 485.00 |
| | | | Law: | |
| 13 | 800.00 | 800.00 | Salary | 1,000.00 |
| 14 | 1,166.33 | 1,158.17 | Expenses | 1,200.00 |
| | | | Town Clerk: | |
| 15 | 1,200.00 | 1,200.00 | Salary | 1,200.00 |
| 16 | 4,747.62 | 6,195.61 | Expenses | 6,700.00 |
| | | | Planning Board: | |
| 17 | 75.00 | 92.00 | Expenses | 200.00 |
| | | | Election and Registration: | |
| 18 | 2,199.01 | 1,797.87 | Expenses | 2,200.00 |
| | | | Town Hall: | |
| 19 | 3,286.00 | 3,385.00 | Salary | 3,588.00 |
| 20 | 2,482.86 | 2,984.86 | Expenses | 3,000.00 |
| 21 | 1,765.20 | 3,666.15 | Repairs, Painting, etc. | 4,000.00 |
| | | | Total General Government | $43,479.00 |
| | | | PROTECTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY | |
| | | | Police: | |
| 22 | 15,055.35 | 19,161.08 | Salaries and Wages | $22,994.00 |
| 23 | 3,299.41 | 3,209.73 | Expenses | 3,300.00 |
| | | | Fire: | |
| 24 | 1,775.40 | 2,869.50 | Salaries and Wages | 2,600.00 |
| 25 | 3,832.72 | 3,605.52 | Expenses | 3,850.00 |
| | | | Police and Fire Station: | |
| 26 | 1,300.11 | 1,526.91 | Maintenance | 1,500.00 |
| 27 | | | | |
| | | | Former Fire Station: | |
| 28 | 396.77 | 387.79 | Maintenance | 500.00 |
| | | | Sealer of Weights and Measures: | |
| 29 | 230.00 | 134.05 | Salary | 230.00 |
| 30 | 100.00 | 42.40 | Expenses | 100.00 |

| *Item No.* | *Expended* 1958 | *Expended* 1959 | | *Recommended* 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Moth—Town: | |
| 31 | 2,150.00 | 2,215.00 | Salary of Supt. | 2,348.00 |
| 32 | 1,294.08 | 1,117.40 | Wages | 1,450.00 |
| 33 | 1,282.76 | 830.62 | Expenses | 850.00 |
| | | | Moth—Private: | |
| 34 | 126.00 | 250.90 | Expenses | 300.00 |
| | | | Tree Warden: | |
| 35 | 1,750.00 | 1,802.00 | Salary of Warden | 1,910.00 |
| 36 | 2,654.34 | 2,291.16 | Wages | 2,968.00 |
| 37 | 157.20 | 156.26 | Expenses | 160.00 |
| 38 | 1,131.25 | 1,199.25 | Pruning Elms | 1,200.00 |
| 39 | 300.00 | 298.50 | Planting Trees | 300.00 |
| | | | Civilian Defense: | |
| 40 | 991.99 | 1,187.38 | Expenses | 1,500.00 |
| | | | Total Protection Personal Property | $48,060.00 |
| | | | HEALTH AND SANITATION | |
| | | | Health: | |
| 41 | 180.00 | 180.00 | Salaries | 120.00 |
| 42 | 1,497.64 | 1,633.44 | Expenses | 2,000.00 |
| 43 | 75.00 | 75.00 | Milk Inspector | 75.00 |
| 44 | 140.00 | 140.00 | Animal Inspector | 140.00 |
| 45 | 150.00 | 150.00 | Health Nurse | 150.00 |
| | | | Dental Clinic: | |
| 46 | 3,167.10 | 3,350.00 | Expenses | 3,600.00 |
| | | | Sanitation: | |
| 47 | 15,988.92 | 19,166.42 | Garbage and Refuse Disposal | 23,449.00 |
| | | | Total Health and Sanitation | $29,534.00 |
| | | | HIGHWAYS | |
| 48 | 3,900.00 | 4,017.00 | Salary of Surveyor | 4,258.00 |
| 49 | 22,378.29 | 23,232.85 | Wages | 25,320.00 |
| 50 | 10,923.17 | 10,920.26 | Expenses | 13,000.00 |
| 51 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | Chap. 90—Maintenance | (1,000.00) |
| 52 | 3,500.00 | 3,000.00 | Chap. 90—Construction | (3,500.00) |
| 53 | 9,184.94 | 10,611.92 | Snow Removal and Sanding | 10,000.00 |
| 54 | 10,797.88 | 11,121.74 | Street Lighting | 11,300.00 |
| 55 | 1,000.00 | 992.59 | Sidewalks | 1,500.00 |
| 56 | ..... | ..... | Equipment | 3,400.00 |
| 57 | 5,441.63 | 4,977.28 | Gravel Roads | 5,000.00 |
| | | | Total Highways | $73,778.00 |
| | | | CHARITIES | |
| | | | Public Welfare: | |
| 58 | 120.00 | 120.00 | Salaries | 120.00 |
| 59 | 2,175.28 | 2,220.34 | Expenses | 5,000.00 |
| 60 | 25,187.99 | 23,915.49 | Old Age Assistance | 24,000.00 |
| 61 | 2,500.00 | 2,725.69 | Administration | 2,750.00 |
| 62 | 3,896.96 | 1,976.71 | Aid to Dependent Children | 2,000.00 |
| 63 | 8,082.94 | 9,499.34 | Disability Assistance | 12,000.00 |
| | | | Total Charities | $45,870.00 |

| *Item No.* | *Expended* 1958 | *Expended* 1959 | | *Recommended* 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | VETERANS' BENEFITS | |
| 64 | 5,363.44 | 3,073.75 | Expenses | 5,500.00 |
| | | | LIBRARIES | |
| 65 | 2,963.38 | 3,807.99 | Salaries and Wages | 4,381.00 |
| 66 | 2,398.33 | 3,094.60 | Expenses | 3,000.00 |
| | | | Total Libraries | $7,381.00 |
| | | | RECREATION | |
| | | | Parks: | |
| 67 | 3,600.00 | 4,017.00 | Salary of Supt. | 4,258.00 |
| 68 | 1,071.00 | 1,099.00 | Salary of Instructors and Clerk | 1,166.00 |
| 69 | 2,654.19 | 3,039.99 | Labor | 3,816.00 |
| 70 | 2,602.72 | 2,897.80 | Expenses | 3,295.00 |
| 71 | 465.59 | 3,500.09 | Equipment | 2,200.00 |
| | | | Total Recreation | $14,735.00 |
| | | | PENSIONS | |
| 72 | 8,229.52 | 8,004.38 | | 9,544.13 |
| | | | PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES | |
| | | | Water Department: | |
| 73 | 3,900.00 | 4,017.00 | Salary of Supt. | 4,258.00 |
| 74 | 6,572.00 | 7,000.00 | Wages | 8,020.00 |
| 75 | 18,310.16 | 18,387.29 | Expenses | 18,470.00 |
| 76 | 6,499.21 | 6,497.23 | Extension of Mains | 6,500.00 |
| | | | Total Water | $37,248.00 |
| | | | Cemetery Department: | |
| 77 | 3,286.00 | 3,500.00 | Salary of Supt. | 3,710.00 |
| 78 | 300.00 | 300.00 | Salary of Clerk | 318.00 |
| 79 | 75.00 | 75.00 | Salaries of Commissioners | 75.00 |
| 80 | 2,013.34 | 1,444.07 | Wages and Expenses | 1,166.00 |
| | | | Total Cemetery | $5,269.00 |
| | | | EDUCATION | |
| 81 | 17,164.64 | 17,067.08 | General Control Expense | 15,402.00 |
| 82 | 218,945.69 | 267,653.16 | Expense of Instruction | 304,451.00 |
| 83 | 16,176.73 | 18,179.86 | Textbooks and Supplies | 19,193.00 |
| 84 | 28,860.89 | 33,593.28 | Operation of Plant | 43,785.00 |
| 85 | 10,982.26 | 8,146.60 | Maintenance and Repairs | 8,200.00 |
| 86 | 27,137.26 | 29,484.58 | Auxiliary Agency | 34,842.00 |
| 87 | 6,697.52 | 4,672.63 | Outlay for Equipment | 5,390.00 |
| 88 | 898.61 | 1,253.99 | Vocational | 1,500.00 |
| | | | Total Education | $432,763.00 |

| *Item No.* | *Expended* 1958 | *Expended* 1959 | | *Recommended* 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | HAMILTON-WENHAM REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT | |
| 89 | ..... | ..... | Operating Expenses | 6,908.54 |
| | | | UNCLASSIFIED | |
| 90 | 2,313.50 | 2,802.06 | Town Reports | 2,800.00 |
| 91 | 699.44 | 690.14 | Memorial Day | 700.00 |
| 92 | 100.00 | 100.00 | Town Clock | 100.00 |
| 93 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | Veterans' Quarters | 1,000.00 |
| 94 | 8,132.88 | 6,117.92 | Insurance | 10,800.00 |
| 95 | 3,771.32 | 4,056.03 | Reserve Fund | 4,000.00 |
| | | | Total Unclasified | $19,400.00 |
| | | | MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST | |
| 96 | 76,000.00 | 94,000.00 | Maturing Debt | 94,000.00 |
| 97 | 14,344.21 | 28,078.74 | Interest | 26,300.00 |
| | | | Total Debt and Interest | $120,300.00 |
| | | | TOTAL BUDGET RECOMMENDATION | $899,769.67 |
| 98 | Total Recommended, Special Articles | | | 26,500.00 |
| 99 | Total, All Recommendations | | | 926,269.67 |
| ADD | | | | |
| 100 | Appropriation for estimated State charges, County taxes, T. B. Hospital assessment, Assessor's estimated of overlay, and all other amounts required by law to be raised | | | 56,600.00 |
| 101 | Grand Total | | | $982,869.67 |
| 102 | DEDUCTIONS TO COMPUTE ESTIMATED TAX RATE: Estimated receipts, income, corporation and other taxes from State, motor vehicle excise and local receipts from sources other than taxation, transfer from available funds | | $372,500.00 | |
| 103 | Poll Taxes | | 2,500.00 | |
| | | | | $375,000.00 |
| 104 | Estimated Balance to be raised by levy on local real estate and tangible personal property other than motor vehicles | | | $607,869.67 |

# REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

*To the Citizens of Hamilton:*

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I submit herewith my report for the year ending December 31, 1959, showing the amount and source of all receipts, the amount of appropriations and expenditures therefrom, purposes of expenditures, town indebtedness, condition of trust funds and a balance sheet.

Although the law provides that such statement shall be in accordance with classification prescribed by the director of accounts, I have further extended the classification of expenditures to make such information readily available to those who desire it. Any additional information will be gladly given to all residents of the town by calling at the office.

I extend my sincere appreciation to all for any assistance rendered me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,

*Town Accountant.*

# RECEIPTS

## Taxes

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Previous Years: | | | |
| 1958 Personal | $ 850.25 | | |
| 1958 Real Estate | 10,716.96 | | |
| | | $11,567.21 | |
| Current Year: | | | |
| Poll | 2,652.00 | | |
| Personal | 32,650.80 | | |
| Real Estate | 510,290.72 | | |
| | | 545,593.52 | |
| | | | $557,160.73 |

## Licenses and Permits

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Alcoholic Beverages: | | | |
| Package Store—All Alcoholic (3) | 450.00 | | |
| Package Store—Wine & Beer (1) | 75.00 | | |
| Restaurant—All Alcoholic (2) | 600.00 | | |
| Club—All Alcoholic (2) | 300.00 | | |
| One Day Beer & Ale (14) | 28.00 | | |
| | | 1,453.00 | |
| Other Licenses and Permits: | | | |
| Common Victualer | 14.00 | | |
| Lord's Day | 16.00 | | |
| Motor Vehicle Dealer | 10.00 | | |
| Ice Cream Mfg. | 5.00 | | |
| Junk Collector | 10.00 | | |
| Second Hand Articles | 2.00 | | |
| Pistol Permits | 58.00 | | |
| Amusement Devices | 60.00 | | |
| Milk—Store | 9.00 | | |
| Milk—Vehicle | 6.00 | | |
| Sewage Permits | 180.00 | | |
| Building Permits | 773.00 | | |
| Electrical Permits | 429.50 | | |
| Sunday Bowling | 2.00 | | |
| Day Care of Children | 1.00 | | |
| Auctioneer | 2.00 | | |
| Pedlars | 2.00 | | |
| | | 1,579.50 | |
| | | | 3,032.50 |
| Carried forward | | | $560,193.23 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $560,193.23 |

### Grants and Gifts

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| From State: | | | |
| Corporation Tax | 24,744.34 | | |
| Income Tax | 26,211.86 | | |
| Old Age Meals Tax | 1,470.89 | | |
| Loss of Taxes—State Land | 7,445.49 | | |
| Cooperative Snow Plowing | 179.38 | | |
| State Pedlars License | 11.00 | | |
| School Aid—Chap. 70 | 48,471.75 | | |
| School Transportation Aid | 5,875.00 | | |
| Vocational Education | 474.78 | | |
| Retarded Children | 190.80 | | |
| School Construction Aid | 23,791.54 | | |
| Abatements Paraplegic Veterans | 208.00 | | |
| Highway Chap. 90 Const. | 3,993.32 | | |
| Highway Chap. 90 Maint. | 499.66 | | |
| | | 143,567.81 | |
| From County: | | | |
| Dog Tax Refund | 929.70 | | |
| Care of Dogs | 210.00 | | |
| Highway Chap. 90 Const. | 1,503.14 | | |
| | | 2,642.84 | |
| | | | 146,210.65 |

### Special Assessments

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1958 Moth | 1.60 | | |
| 1959 Moth | 396.40 | | |
| | | 398.00 | |
| | | | 398.00 |

### Privileges

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1957 Motor Excise | 266.20 | | |
| 1958 Motor Excise | 12,747.84 | | |
| 1959 Motor Excise | 71,774.35 | | |
| | | 84,788.39 | |
| | | | 84,788.39 |

### Protection of Persons and Property

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sealers Fees | 14.60 | | |
| Court Fines | 30.00 | | |
| | | 44.60 | |
| | | | 44.60 |
| Carried forward | | | $791,634.87 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $791,634.87 |

## Health

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dental Clinic Fees | 523.75 | | |
| Sale of Garbage | 542.00 | | |
| Town of Ashby—Hospital Expenses | 300.00 | | |
| Reimbursement Essex San. Expenses | 39.00 | | |
| | | 1,404.75 | |
| | | | 1,404.75 |

## Public Welfare

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Disability Assistance: | | | |
| From State—Assistance | 4,507.31 | | |
| From State—Administration | 87.63 | | |
| From Individuals | 22.90 | | |
| | | 4,617.84 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children: | | | |
| From State—Assistance | 809.75 | | |
| From Individuals | 55.00 | | |
| | | 864.75 | |
| Old Age Assistance: | | | |
| From State—Assistance | 14,264.56 | | |
| From Towns & Cities | 724.75 | | |
| From Individuals | 135.95 | | |
| | | 15,125.26 | |
| Federal Grants: | | | |
| Disability Assistance: | | | |
| Assistance | 2,687.50 | | |
| Administration | 175.25 | | |
| | | 2,862.75 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children: | | | |
| Assistance | 1,791.00 | | |
| Administration | 435.66 | | |
| | | 2,226.66 | |
| Old Age Assistance: | | | |
| Assistance | 21,570.00 | | |
| Administration | 1,543.18 | | |
| | | 23,113.18 | |
| | | | 48,810.44 |
| Carried forward | | | $841,850.06 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $841,850.06 |
| **Veterans' Benefits** | | | |
| From State | 2,181.84 | | |
| | | 2,181.84 | |
| | | | 2,181.84 |
| **Schools** | | | |
| Tuition—Towns and Individuals | 2,247.50 | | |
| Cafeteria—Sale of Lunches | 29,978.12 | | |
| Cafeteria—Federal Grants | 13,087.40 | | |
| Athletic Receipts | 716.25 | | |
| Sale of Supplies | 59.20 | | |
| U. S. Govt. Public Law 874 | 5,259.68 | | |
| Adult Education | 20.00 | | |
| Town of Wenham—Office Rent | 25.00 | | |
| Town of Wenham—Telephone Reimb. | 27.76 | | |
| Telephone Rebate | 9.72 | | |
| | | 51,430.63 | |
| | | | 51,430.63 |
| **Public Library** | | | |
| Fines—Main Library | 141.54 | | |
| Fines—Branch Library | 144.08 | | |
| | | 285.62 | |
| | | | 285.62 |
| **Water Department** | | | |
| Meter Rates | 41,770.69 | | |
| Services | 2,102.75 | | |
| Liens—1958 | 753.20 | | |
| Liens—1959 | 982.40 | | |
| | | 45,609.04 | |
| | | | 45,609.04 |
| **Cemetery Department** | | | |
| Care of Lots and Graves | 499.00 | | |
| Care of Endowed Lots | 655.00 | | |
| Interments | 488.00 | | |
| Sale of Lots and Graves | 960.00 | | |
| | | 2,602.00 | |
| | | | 2,602.00 |
| Carried forward | | | $943,959.19 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $943,959.19 |
| **Interest** | | | |
| On Deferred Taxes | 311.18 | | |
| On Deferred Excise | 105.48 | | |
| On Water Liens | 16.73 | | |
| On Treasury Notes | 2,192.00 | | |
| On Note Prepaid | 50.00 | | |
| | | 2,675.39 | |
| | | | 2,675.39 |
| **Refunds** | | | |
| Departmental Overpayments | 778.75 | | |
| Insurance Premium—Fire Dept. | 44.00 | | |
| | | 822.75 | |
| | | | 822.75 |
| **Agencies and Trusts** | | | |
| State Withholding Tax | 4,340.02 | | |
| Federal Withholding Tax | 57,603.08 | | |
| Retirement Deductions | 7,042.39 | | |
| Dog Licenses for County | 1,210.50 | | |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care | 1,850.00 | | |
| | | 72,045.99 | |
| | | | 72,045.99 |
| **Miscellaneous** | | | |
| Town of Manchester—Lieu of '59 Taxes | 812.00 | | |
| Anticipation of Revenue Loan | 100,000.00 | | |
| Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund | 500.00 | | |
| Rent of Room, Lamson School | 120.00 | | |
| Rent of Town Hall | 15.00 | | |
| Sale of Junk | 8.00 | | |
| Sale of Land | 125.00 | | |
| Taxes on Land Sold | 5.00 | | |
| Treasury Notes | 297,808.00 | | |
| Previous Year's Abated Taxes | 454.00 | | |
| Poll Tax Demand | .35 | | |
| | | 399,847.35 | |
| | | | 399,847.35 |
| Total Receipts 1959 | | | $1,419,350.67 |

# EXPENDITURES

## Selectmen

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Lawrence Lamson | $ 460.00 | | |
| William F. MacKenzie | 345.00 | | |
| Lawrence R. Stone | 345.00 | | |
| | | $ 1,150.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Building Inspector—Salary | 833.34 | | |
| Eelctrical Inspector—Salary | 580.00 | | |
| Dog Officer—Salary | 150.00 | | |
| Clerical Work | 490.00 | | |
| Printing, Postage, Supplies | 373.13 | | |
| Advertising Hearings | 318.43 | | |
| Traffic Signs | 430.30 | | |
| Attending Hearings, Conferences | 156.28 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 119.00 | | |
| Law Books | 65.00 | | |
| Surveying | 238.40 | | |
| Confining Dogs | 180.00 | | |
| Street Markings | 300.00 | | |
| Highway Damage Claims | 104.00 | | |
| Petitions, Fees & Costs | 52.50 | | |
| | | 4,390.38 | |
| | | | $ 5,540.38 |

## Accounting

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Francis H. Whipple, Acct. | 4,550.00 | | |
| | | 4,550.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Supplies, Postage, Equip. | 336.37 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 62.25 | | |
| | | 398.62 | |
| | | | 4,948.62 |

## Treasury

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Everett F. Haley, Treas. | 1,751.00 | | |
| | | 1,751.00 | |
| Carried forward | | | $10,489.00 |

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| Brought forward | | | $10,489.00 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Surety Bond | 162.00 | | |
| Burglary Insurance | 35.00 | | |
| Supplies, Forms, Postage | 292.55 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 33.45 | | |
| Certification of Note | 2.00 | | |
| | | 525.00 | |
| | | | 2,276.00 |

COLLECTOR

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Bertha L. Crowell, Collector | 2,184.00 | | |
| | | 2,184.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Printing, Postage, Supplies, Tel. | 782.84 | | |
| Surety Bond | 169.18 | | |
| Burglary Insurance | 35.00 | | |
| Deputy Collectors Bond | 10.00 | | |
| Clerical Assistance | 59.50 | | |
| Association Dues | 5.00 | | |
| Typewriter Service | 16.20 | | |
| Deputy Collector | 7.50 | | |
| | | 1,085.22 | |
| | | | 3,269.22 |

ASSESSORS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wages: | | | |
| Robert H. Chittick | 800.00 | | |
| Arthur L. Bennett | 850.00 | | |
| Robert H. Trussell | 790.00 | | |
| | | 2,440.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Postage, Supplies, Equipment | 253.71 | | |
| Abstracts | 86.70 | | |
| Transportation | 260.00 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 45.00 | | |
| | | 645.41 | |
| | | | 3,085.41 |

LAW

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|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Standish Bradford, Counsel | 800.00 | | |
| | | 800.00 | |
| Carried forward | | | $19,119.63 |

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| Brought forward | | | $19,119.63 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Investigations, Assistance | 1,050.00 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 35.80 | | |
| Title Examinations | 30.00 | | |
| Telephone | 42.37 | | |
| | | 1,158.17 | |
| | | | 1,958.17 |

## Town Clerk

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Francis H. Whipple, Town Clerk | 1,200.00 | | |
| Dorothy Barnes, Gen. Govt. Clk. | 2,675.70 | | |
| Sarah Trussell, Gen. Govt. Clk. | 2,633.70 | | |
| | | 6,509.40 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Postage, Supplies, Tel. | 529.46 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 37.50 | | |
| Surety Bond | 5.00 | | |
| Office Equipment | 134.85 | | |
| Typewriter Service, Repairs | 57.40 | | |
| Binding Records | 86.00 | | |
| Abstracts and Recordings | 36.00 | | |
| | | 886.21 | |
| | | | 7,395.61 |

## Election and Registration

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Registrars' Salaries: | | | |
| George Morrow | 60.00 | | |
| Robert N. Peale | 60.00 | | |
| Jessie Cunningham | 22.50 | | |
| Francis H. Whipple | 60.00 | | |
| | | 202.50 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Annual Listing | 366.00 | | |
| Election Officers | 294.50 | | |
| Janitor Services (School) | 29.00 | | |
| Police Officers | 50.50 | | |
| Printing, Supplies, Equipment | 409.21 | | |
| Food | 68.26 | | |
| Telephone | 19.90 | | |
| Clerical Work | 230.00 | | |
| Labor | 128.00 | | |
| | | 1,595.37 | |
| | | | 1,797.87 |
| Carried forward | | | $30,271.28 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $30,271.28 |
| **Finance Committee** | | | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Association Dues | 15.00 | | |
| | | 15.00 | |
| | | | 15.00 |
| **Planning Board** | | | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Association Dues | 40.00 | | |
| Printing | 30.00 | | |
| Advertising | 22.00 | | |
| | | 92.00 | |
| | | | 92.00 |
| **Town Hall** | | | |
| Salary: | | | |
| Lester F. Stanley, Janitor | 3,385.00 | | |
| | | 3,385.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Fuel | 1,045.75 | | |
| Electric Current | 409.27 | | |
| Telephone | 266.01 | | |
| Janitors Supplies | 279.78 | | |
| Maintenance and Repairs | 633.24 | | |
| Water Rates | 14.50 | | |
| Flowers | 32.50 | | |
| Equipment, Furniture | 303.81 | | |
| | | 2,984.86 | |
| | | | 6,369.86 |
| **Special Painting and Repairs** | | | |
| Painting and Repairs | 3,166.15 | | |
| Shrubbery | 500.00 | | |
| | | 3,666.15 | |
| | | | 3,666.15 |
| **Police** | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Edward H. Frederick, Chief | 4,462.50 | | |
| Robert W. Poole | 3,864.08 | | |
| Gordon W. Webb | 3,555.80 | | |
| Lester D. Charles | 1,022.40 | | |
| Glenn Cook | 2,608.30 | | |
| Frederick R. Johnson | 1,021.40 | | |
| Orman J. Richards | 832.00 | | |
| Ray M. Sanford, Jr. | 979.80 | | |
| Clarence N. Trepanier | 801.80 | | |
| Other Officers | 13.00 | | |
| | | 19,161.08 | |
| Carried forward | | | $40,414.29 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $40,414.29 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Cruiser Expense | 1,479.07 | | |
| Supplies and Equipment | 470.46 | | |
| Telephone | 407.40 | | |
| Maintenance of Radio | 110.00 | | |
| Uniforms | 442.80 | | |
| Automobile Allowance | 300.00 | | |
| | | 3,209.73 | |
| | | | 22,370.81 |
| Cruiser Purchase | | | |
| Ipswich Motor Co., Cruiser | 1,556.00 | | |
| Equipment | 80.20 | | |
| Lettering | 20.00 | | |
| | | 1,656.20 | |
| | | | 1,656.20 |
| FIRE | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Rudolph H. Haraden, Clerk | 200.00 | | |
| Call Firemen | 2,669.50 | | |
| | | 2,869.50 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Care of Alarm and Equipment | 500.00 | | |
| Telephone | 249.61 | | |
| Equipment and Supplies | 1,886.28 | | |
| Hose | 172.14 | | |
| Truck Expense | 797.49 | | |
| | | 3,605.52 | |
| | | | 6,475.02 |
| CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE AND POLICE BUILDING | | | |
| Hot-top Driveway | 108.83 | | |
| | | 108.83 | |
| | | | 108.83 |
| MAINTENANCE OF FIRE AND POLICE BUILDING | | | |
| Fuel | 692.62 | | |
| Electric Current | 329.42 | | |
| Domestic Gas | 46.01 | | |
| Water Rates | 13.00 | | |
| Supplies and Equipment | 15.68 | | |
| Janitor Services | 250.00 | | |
| Plaque | 140.00 | | |
| Repairs | 40.18 | | |
| | | 1,526.91 | |
| | | | 1,526.91 |
| Carried forward | | | $72,552.06 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $72,552.06 |

### Maintenance of Former Fire Station

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Electric Current | 54.83 | | |
| Fuel | 305.46 | | |
| Repairs | 27.50 | | |
| Painting | 400.00 | | |
| | | 787.79 | |
| | | | 787.79 |

### Moth

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary and Wages: | | | |
| Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt. | 2,215.00 | | |
| Winslow B. Dodge | 1,053.80 | | |
| Donald P. Johnson | 63.60 | | |
| | | 3,332.40 | |
| Expenses | | | |
| Truck Expense | 455.17 | | |
| Liability Insurance | 94.20 | | |
| Telephone | 44.25 | | |
| Insecticides | 237.00 | | |
| | | 830.62 | |
| | | | 4,163.02 |

### Moth Private Property

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Expenses: | | | |
| Insecticides | 250.90 | | |
| | | 250.90 | |
| | | | 250.90 |

### Tree Warden

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary and Wages: | | | |
| Rudolph H. Haraden, Warden | 1,802.00 | | |
| Winslow B. Dodge | 1,906.48 | | |
| Donald P. Johnson | 384.68 | | |
| | | 4,093.16 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Tools and Supplies | 51.39 | | |
| Equipment and Repairs | 86.27 | | |
| Telephone | 8.60 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 10.00 | | |
| | | 156.26 | |
| Carried forward | | | $77,753.77 |

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| Brought forward | | | $77,753.77 |
| Planting Trees: | | | |
| Purchase of Trees | 283.50 | | |
| Fertilizer | 15.00 | | |
| | | 298.50 | |
| Pruning Elms: | | | |
| Dodge Associates | 1,199.25 | | |
| | | 1,199.25 | |
| | | | 5,747.17 |

Sealer of Weights and Measures

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Erving O. Maxwell, Sealer | 134.05 | | |
| | | 134.05 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Transportation | 16.25 | | |
| Supplies | 26.15 | | |
| | | 42.40 | |
| | | | 176.45 |

Animal Inspector

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salary: | | | |
| Ernest M. Barker, Inspector | 90.00 | | |
| | | 90.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Transportation | 50.00 | | |
| | | 50.00 | |
| | | | 140.00 |

Civil Defense

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Expenses: | | | |
| Directors Expenses | 570.00 | | |
| Aux. Police Supplies & Equip. | 460.68 | | |
| Surplus Property | 31.00 | | |
| Rifle Range Insurance | 7.40 | | |
| Radio Repairs | 118.30 | | |
| | | 1,187.38 | |
| | | | 1,187.38 |

Mosquito Control

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| Airborne Sprayers—Bal. Due | 996.00 | | |
| | | 996.00 | |
| Carried forward | | | $85,004.77 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $85,004.71 |
| 1959 Account: | | | |
| Airborne Sprayers, Spraying | 1,980.00 | | |
| Tossit Repellents | 43.50 | | |
| Spray Material | 375.00 | | |
| | | 2,398.50 | |
| | | | 3,394.50 |
| TWO-WAY RADIO PURCHASE | | | |
| Advertisement for Bids | 10.00 | | |
| | | 10.00 | |
| | | | 10.00 |
| CLEANING RIVERS AND STREAMS (Balance of 1958 Account) | | | |
| Wages: | | | |
| Walter Cheever | 192.00 | | |
| | | 192.00 | |
| | | | 192.00 |
| HEALTH | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| William F. MacKenzie | 60.00 | | |
| Lawrence R. Stone | 30.00 | | |
| Lawrence Lamson | 30.00 | | |
| Francis H. Whipple, Clerk | 60.00 | | |
| Ernest M. Barker, Milk Insp. | 75.00 | | |
| | | 255.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Sewage Inspections | 135.00 | | |
| Rent of Brush Dump (6 months) | 61.60 | | |
| Care of Brush Dump | 26.00 | | |
| Abating Nuisances | 8.00 | | |
| Hearings, Investigations | 14.28 | | |
| Office Supplies | 27.50 | | |
| Clerical Work | 50.00 | | |
| Signs | 25.00 | | |
| Engineering and Surveying | 123.00 | | |
| Consultants | 20.00 | | |
| Essex Sanatorium | 802.50 | | |
| Ambulance Service | 20.00 | | |
| Electricity—Mobile Chest X-Ray | 15.56 | | |
| Transportation to Boston | 5.00 | | |
| No. Shore Babies Hospital | 300.00 | | |
| | | 1,633.44 | |
| | | | 1,888.44 |
| Carried forward | | | $90,489.71 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $90,489.71 |

### Garbage and Refuse Disposal

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wages: | | | |
| Paul Tibbs | 3,782.97 | | |
| Herbert Tobyne | 3,271.43 | | |
| Harvey Saunders | 3,183.49 | | |
| Maynard MacGregor | 1,423.23 | | |
| Earl Henderson | 539.60 | | |
| Alden Southwick | 1,223.25 | | |
| Walter Cheever | 268.40 | | |
| Other Wages | 1,105.65 | | |
| | | 14,798.02 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Maint. of Trucks & Equip. | 2,698.47 | | |
| Insurance on Trucks | 205.29 | | |
| Equipment and Supplies | 256.50 | | |
| Gravel and Fill | 880.64 | | |
| Bulldozing Dump | 327.50 | | |
| | | 4,368.40 | |
| | | | 19,166.42 |

### Chassis for Garbage Truck

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Hamilton-Wenham Garage, Chassis | 2,650.00 | | |
| Advertising for Bids | 5.63 | | |
| Lettering Truck | 12.60 | | |
| Painting | 45.00 | | |
| | | 2,713.23 | |
| | | | 2,713.23 |

### Dental Clinic

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Expenses: | | | |
| Dr. John King, Dentist | 3,150.00 | | |
| Florence Stobbart, Nurse | 200.00 | | |
| | | 3,350.00 | |
| | | | 3,350.00 |

### Water Main to Dump

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Pipe and Fittings | 1,144.01 | | |
| Digger Hire | 640.00 | | |
| Truck Hire | 96.00 | | |
| Labor | 119.00 | | |
| | | 1,999.01 | |
| | | | 1,999.01 |

### Maintenance of Essex Sanatorium

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| County Treasurer | 5,957.23 | | |
| | | 5,957.23 | |
| | | | 5,957.23 |
| Carried forward | | | $123,675.60 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $123,675.60 |

## Highways

Salaries and Wages:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Charles F. Poole, Surveyor | 4,017.00 | | |
| Lewis K. Pierce | 3,400.64 | | |
| Robert A. Tucker | 976.96 | | |
| Frank E. Manthorn | 2,977.08 | | |
| Alden L. Southwick | 747.68 | | |
| Herbert E. Haraden | 2,996.96 | | |
| Archie L. Moore | 2,974.24 | | |
| F. Harlan Clock, Jr. | 2,877.24 | | |
| Wilfred Perrier | 2,293.60 | | |
| Thomas Jones | 1,095.60 | | |
| Thomas Silke | 831.60 | | |
| Other Wages | 2,061.25 | | |
| | | 27,249.85 | |

Expenses:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gas, Oil, Truck Expense | 3,386.37 | | |
| Tools, Supplies, Equipment | 1,315.69 | | |
| Road Patching Material | 1,593.76 | | |
| Road Oil | 306.57 | | |
| Sand, Stone, Gravel | 109.20 | | |
| Lumber, Cement, Brick | 104.79 | | |
| Fencing and Posts | 196.89 | | |
| Garage Maintenance | 33.30 | | |
| Heating Oil | 321.72 | | |
| Pipe | 685.52 | | |
| Loader Hire | 666.50 | | |
| Bulldozer Hire | 260.00 | | |
| Backhoe Hire | 240.00 | | |
| Grader Hire | 730.50 | | |
| Roller Hire | 156.00 | | |
| Truck Hire | 292.00 | | |
| Electric Current | 68.17 | | |
| Hot Top Material | 115.28 | | |
| Surveying, Engineering | 338.00 | | |
| | | 10,920.26 | |
| | | | 38,170.11 |
| Carried forward | | | $161,845.71 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $161,845.71 |
| **Gravel Roads** | | | |
| Road Oil | 1,087.46 | | |
| Catch Basin Brick, Frames | 646.94 | | |
| Gravel, Sand, Loam | 1,342.08 | | |
| Grader Hire | 1,184.00 | | |
| Roller Hire | 208.00 | | |
| Bulldozer Hire | 91.00 | | |
| Loader Hire | 182.00 | | |
| Gasoline | 235.80 | | |
| | | 4,977.28 | |
| | | | 4,977.28 |
| **Sidewalks** | | | |
| Gravel | 113.50 | | |
| Tractor Hire | 182.00 | | |
| Hot Top Material | 375.09 | | |
| Masonry Work | 232.00 | | |
| Surveying | 90.00 | | |
| | | 992.59 | |
| | | | 992.59 |
| **Chapter 90 Maintenance** | | | |
| Truck Hire | 136.00 | | |
| Roller Hire | 120.00 | | |
| Loader Hire | 26.00 | | |
| Road Oil | 590.15 | | |
| Stone | 626.82 | | |
| | | 1,498.97 | |
| | | | 1,498.97 |
| **Chapter 90 Construction** | | | |
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| G. Rotondi & Son, Contract | 6,012.54 | | |
| | | 6,012.54 | |
| 1959 Account: | | | |
| Wages | 3,387.00 | | |
| Equipment Hire | 3,675.25 | | |
| Catch Basins | 351.64 | | |
| Hot Topping | 2,044.50 | | |
| Road Oil | 131.66 | | |
| Pipe | 1,153.46 | | |
| Granite Curb | 89.50 | | |
| Tree Removal | 553.50 | | |
| Supplies | 50.83 | | |
| | | 11,437.34 | |
| | | | 17,449.88 |
| Carried forward | | | $186,764.43 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $186,764.43 |

### Willow Street Construction

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| Hot Top Material | 175.89 | | |
| | | 175.89 | |
| | | | 175.89 |

### Snow Removal and Sanding

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Wages: | | | |
| Lewis K. Pierce | 222.04 | | |
| Wilfred Perrier | 179.10 | | |
| Frank Manthorn | 92.50 | | |
| Alden Southwick | 101.60 | | |
| F. Harlan Clock, Jr. | 269.04 | | |
| Herbert Haraden | 89.60 | | |
| Other Wages | 1,437.23 | | |
| | | 2,391.11 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Truck Hire | 2,755.50 | | |
| Loader Hire | 1,975.00 | | |
| Gas, Oil, Maint. of Trucks | 869.99 | | |
| Equipment and Repairs | 481.53 | | |
| Sand | 1,026.39 | | |
| Salt | 1,012.40 | | |
| Snow Fence | 100.00 | | |
| | | 8,220.81 | |
| | | | 10,611.92 |

### Street Lighting

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Merrimack—Essex Elec. Co. | 11,121.74 | | |
| | | 11,121.74 | |
| | | | 11,121.74 |

### Public Welfare

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries: | | | |
| Lawrence R. Stone | 60.00 | | |
| Lawrence Lamson | 30.00 | | |
| William F. MacKenzie | 30.00 | | |
| | | 120.00 | |
| Carried forward | | | $208,673.98 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $208,673.98 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Cash Grants | 622.84 | | |
| Medical Care | 98.15 | | |
| Rent | 52.00 | | |
| Light, Fuel, Water | 59.23 | | |
| Clothing | 9.20 | | |
| Hospital Care | 889.91 | | |
| Office Expense | 10.50 | | |
| Other Cities and Towns | 478.51 | | |
| | | 2,220.34 | |
| | | | 2,340.34 |
| **Disability Assistance** | | | |
| Town Funds: | | | |
| Assistance Payments | 9,499.34 | | |
| | | 9,499.34 | |
| | | | 9,499.34 |
| **Aid to Dependent Children** | | | |
| Town Funds: | | | |
| Assistance Payments | 1,976.71 | | |
| | | 1,976.71 | |
| | | | 1,976.71 |
| **Old Age Assistance** | | | |
| Town Funds: | | | |
| Assistance Payments | 23,915.49 | | |
| Federal Funds: | | | |
| Assistance Payments | 19,957.44 | | |
| | | 43,872.93 | |
| | | | 43,872.93 |
| **Old Age Assistance Administration** | | | |
| Town Funds: | | | |
| Bernard A. Cullen, Agent | 2,494.90 | | |
| Office Supplies, Postage | 125.79 | | |
| Transportation | 80.00 | | |
| Appraisals | 25.00 | | |
| | | 2,725.69 | |
| Federal Funds: | | | |
| Bernard A. Cullen, Agent | 1,695.96 | | |
| Office Supplies, Postage | 16.83 | | |
| Transportation | 90.00 | | |
| | | 1,802.79 | |
| | | | 4,528.48 |
| Carried forward | | | $270,891.78 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $270.891.78 |

### Veterans' Benefits

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cash Grants | 2,530.15 | | |
| Medical Care | 543.60 | | |
| | | 3,073.75 | |
| | | | 3,073.75 |

## SCHOOLS

### General Administration

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| John H. Lawson, Supt. | 10,649.98 | |
| Elizabeth Edmondson, Sec. | 4,012.50 | |
| Mary Emery | 677.60 | |
| Ruth Whipple | 559.08 | |
| Office Expense | 158.11 | |
| Superintendent's Travel | 499.92 | |
| Truant Officer | 105.00 | |
| School Census | 150.00 | |
| Conference Expenses | 166.39 | |
| School Committee Assn. | 79.50 | |
| Other Expenses | 9.00 | |
| | | 17,067.08 |

### Expense of Instruction

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Salaries and Wages: | | |
| Edith Anderson | 3,866.64 | |
| Ruth Austen | 6,300.00 | |
| Margaret Batchelder | 5,799.96 | |
| Mary Bergman | 5,799.96 | |
| Edna Berry | 4,046.64 | |
| John Cameron | 1,400.00 | |
| Eleanor Carr | 1,266.64 | |
| Laura Clark | 4,566.64 | |
| Peter Coffin | 7,166.64 | |
| Constance Como | 1,400.00 | |
| Richard Connolly | 1,300.00 | |
| Thomas Conway | 4,556.58 | |
| Phyllis Cotti | 1,266.64 | |
| Mary Crowell | 1,129.00 | |
| Therese D'Arche | 4,436.63 | |
| William Davis | 1,966.64 | |
| Edmund Dodge | 2,266.64 | |
| James Dodge | 1,400.00 | |
| Ellen Duffy | 6,033.28 | |
| Harriet Erskine | 5,299.92 | |

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|---|---|
| Carried forward | $273,965.53 |

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|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | $273.965.53 |
| Natale Frederico | 6,668.28 | |
| Warren Freeman | 1,000.00 | |
| Margaret Ferrini | 5,833.28 | |
| Esther Goddard | 5,799.96 | |
| Nena Hayes | 5,399.96 | |
| Harold Herber | 3,458.64 | |
| Janice Herber | 3,514.50 | |
| William Howart | 5,866.64 | |
| Glory Hussey | 5,299.92 | |
| Dorothy Jones | 5,799.96 | |
| Marian Joseph | 6,366.64 | |
| Elizabeth Kimball | 4,566.64 | |
| Carolyn Lander | 5,799.96 | |
| Roy Lane | 6,766.64 | |
| Louise Leach | 3,533.28 | |
| Martha Lewis | 4,566.64 | |
| Martha Libby | 1,266.64 | |
| Rupert Lillie | 3,780.00 | |
| Mary Lucey | 6,166.64 | |
| Donald MacDiarmid | 6,879.96 | |
| Robert MacDonald | 1,633.32 | |
| Ann Marshall | 978.40 | |
| Ruth McGann | 5,299.92 | |
| Carolyn McGarvey | 4,066.64 | |
| Priscilla McKay | 4,000.00 | |
| Annette Messenger | 1,266.64 | |
| Martha Morrison | 1,400.00 | |
| Wilton Moyer | 5,866.60 | |
| Kathryn Nickerson | 4,466.60 | |
| Nancy O'Brien | 1,533.32 | |
| Carolyn Oster | 4,313.32 | |
| Elizabeth Pauling | 4,566.64 | |
| Norman Pfaff | 4,905.00 | |
| John Reedy | 1,766.64 | |
| Lois Rizoli | 1,333.28 | |
| Winifred Sheehan | 3,000.00 | |
| Nola Skillings | 1,600.00 | |
| Richard Snow | 6,949.95 | |
| Paul Staples | 5,766.64 | |
| Cosmo Stefaney | 2,933.28 | |
| Maude Thomas | 3,480.00 | |
| Eleanor Van Everen | 2,800.00 | |
| Raymond Wallace | 5,366.56 | |
| Diana Walton | 2,533.28 | |
| Harriet Watson | 5,299.92 | |
| Carried forward | | $273,965.53 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $273,965.53 |
| Pauline Wilson | 4,066.64 | | |
| Substitutes and Others | 3,425.95 | | |
| | | 264,308.72 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Writing Supervision | 820.00 | | |
| Music | 122.20 | | |
| Driver Training | 628.00 | | |
| Conference Dues, Expenses | 311.36 | | |
| Evaluations | 49.20 | | |
| Transportation | 20.85 | | |
| Honor Society Dinner | 95.95 | | |
| Open House Expenses | 126.56 | | |
| Science | 295.88 | | |
| Letterheads, Postage | 171.82 | | |
| Lecture | 10.00 | | |
| Refreshments | 7.87 | | |
| Audit of Accounts | 12.00 | | |
| Handbooks | 67.75 | | |
| | | 2,739.44 | |
| | Auxiliary Agencies | | |
| School Health: | | | |
| Dr. Robert G. Love, Physician | 740.00 | | |
| Florence Stobbart, Nurse | 3,200.00 | | |
| Irene Dankowski, Nurse | 514.72 | | |
| Medical Supplies | 66.19 | | |
| | | 4,520.91 | |
| Athletics: | | | |
| Equipment and Supplies | 2,358.68 | | |
| Officials | 566.30 | | |
| Police | 108.00 | | |
| Transportation | 565.00 | | |
| Insurance on Players | 112.00 | | |
| Conference Expenses | 18.00 | | |
| Medical | 15.80 | | |
| | | 3,743.78 | |
| Cafeteria: | | | |
| Salary of Manager | 2,820.00 | | |
| | | 2,820.00 | |
| Other Expenses: | | | |
| Transportation—Session | 13,942.75 | | |
| Bus Supervisor | 265.50 | | |
| Educational Transportation | 187.00 | | |
| Carried forward | | | $273,965.53 |

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|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | $273.965.53 |
| Tuition | 442.10 | |
| Library | 483.21 | |
| Rent—Kindergarten | 1,200.00 | |
| Janitors—Kindergarten | 480.00 | |
| Graduation | 188.27 | |
| Telephone | 1,211.06 | |
| | | 18,399.89 |

Textbooks and Supplies

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Books—High | 6,144.61 | |
| Supplies—High | 1,740.20 | |
| Books—Elementary | 3,798.31 | |
| Supplies—Elementary | 3,372.52 | |
| Shop Supplies, Equip. | 848.35 | |
| Music Supplies | 248.36 | |
| Testing | 613.61 | |
| Films | 103.11 | |
| Home Economics | 283.84 | |
| Machine Rentals | 137.50 | |
| Postage | 46.51 | |
| Advertising | 23.25 | |
| Science Supplies | 757.14 | |
| Association Dues | 5.00 | |
| Insurance | 45.90 | |
| Library | 11.65 | |
| | | 18,179.86 |

Operation of Plant

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Janitors' Salaries | | |
| Hovey Humphrey | 3,788.96 | |
| Everett Welch | 3,756.42 | |
| Fred Morris | 3,622.17 | |
| Vernal Pollard | 3,561.88 | |
| Alfred Edmondson | 1,320.51 | |
| Other Wages | 225.50 | |
| | | 16,275.44 |
| Expenses: | | |
| Fuel—High | 3,288.61 | |
| Electric Current—High | 2,344.59 | |
| Domestic Gas—High | 70.86 | |
| Water—High | 165.00 | |
| Janitors' Supplies—High | 1,386.61 | |
| Fuel—Elementary | 5,286.80 | |
| Electric Current—Ele. | 3,111.77 | |
| Carried forward | | $273,965.53 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $273,965.53 |
| Domestic Gas—Ele. | 135.77 | | |
| Water—Ele. | 195.00 | | |
| Janitors' Supplies—Ele. | 1,306.38 | | |
| Advertising for Bids | 24.00 | | |
| Express | 2.45 | | |
| | | 17,317.84 | |
| **Maintenance and Repairs** | | | |
| High | 5,219.34 | | |
| Elementary | 2,927.26 | | |
| | | 8,146.60 | |
| **Outlay — New Equipment** | | | |
| High | 4,672.63 | | |
| | | 4,672.63 | |
| **Vocational** | | | |
| City of Beverly | 1,005.59 | | |
| City of Lynn | 27.90 | | |
| City of Salem | 12.00 | | |
| Transportation | 208.50 | | |
| | | 1,253.99 | |
| | | | 379,446.18 |
| **Cafeteria** | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Margaret Back | 1,640.00 | | |
| Loretta Tremblay | 1,640.00 | | |
| Marybelle Dolliver | 720.00 | | |
| Lois Piotrowski | 1,200.00 | | |
| Marguerite Brumby | 1,440.00 | | |
| Nellie Knowlton | 1,200.00 | | |
| Sadie Walker | 1,200.00 | | |
| Lillian Cullen | 1,200.00 | | |
| Frances Flynn | 512.50 | | |
| Ellena Foote | 480.00 | | |
| Other Wages | 152.75 | | |
| | | 11,385.25 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Groceries and Provisions | 31,302.90 | | |
| Commodity Service Charge | 196.00 | | |
| Trucking Commodities | 184.59 | | |
| Carried forward | | | $653,411.71 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $653,411.71 |
| Supplies | 304.27 | | |
| Telephone | 9.03 | | |
| Conference Expenses | 74.00 | | |
| | | 32,070.79 | |
| | | | 43,456.04 |

### Athletics

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Officials | 120.50 | | |
| Police | 18.00 | | |
| Physician | 10.00 | | |
| Supplies and Equipment | 307.46 | | |
| Express | 5.71 | | |
| Transportation | 131.60 | | |
| | | 593.27 | |
| | | | 593.27 |

### Regional School Planning Committee

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Printing, Typing, Material | 476.69 | | |
| | | 476.69 | |
| | | | 476.69 |

### Hamilton-Wenham Regional School District

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Payment to District Treasurer | 4,777.42 | | |
| | | 4,777.42 | |
| | | | 4,777.42 |

### Construction of Elementary School

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Architect Fees | 18,191.67 | | |
| Frasca Const. Co., Contract | 222,327.53 | | |
| Fire Insurance | 1,351.00 | | |
| Advertisements for Bids | 99.52 | | |
| Engineering | 62.00 | | |
| Equipment | 22,562.99 | | |
| | | 264,594.71 | |
| | | | 264,594.71 |

### Public Library

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Louise Brown | 2,000.05 | | |
| Charlotte Hughes | 755.40 | | |
| Assistants | 844.54 | | |
| Janitor Services | 208.00 | | |
| | | 3,807.99 | |
| Carried forward | | | $967,309.84 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $967,309.84 |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Books and Periodicals | 2,297.21 | | |
| Supplies and Equipment | 300.42 | | |
| Repairs and Upkeep | 74.21 | | |
| Heating Gas | 283.62 | | |
| Water Rates | 25.00 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 30.60 | | |
| Electric Current | 48.54 | | |
| Book Reviews | 35.00 | | |
| | | 3,094.60 | |
| | | | 6,902.59 |
| PLANS FOR NEW LIBRARY | | | |
| Printing | 78.00 | | |
| | | 78.00 | |
| | | | 78.00 |
| PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Henry J. Stelline, Supt. | 4,017.00 | | |
| Virginia Lougee, Clerk | 100.00 | | |
| Clarence Trepanier | 1,764.36 | | |
| George A. Harrigan III | 171.53 | | |
| James Richards | 697.22 | | |
| Other Wages | 406.88 | | |
| | | 7,156.99 | |
| Instructors Salaries: | | | |
| Janet Smerage | 360.00 | | |
| Sara O'Hara | 270.00 | | |
| Bruce MacCurrach | 225.00 | | |
| Nancy Garland | 144.00 | | |
| | | 999.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Playground Supplies, Equip. | 635.49 | | |
| Tools and Supplies | 690.88 | | |
| Repairs and Equipment | 222.60 | | |
| Truck, Tractor Maintenance | 681.03 | | |
| Electric Current | 91.26 | | |
| Telephone | 81.73 | | |
| Water Rates | 64.90 | | |
| Loam, Fertilizer | 293.00 | | |
| Lumber | 34.16 | | |
| Coal | 65.00 | | |
| Legal Notice | 3.75 | | |
| Carried forward | | | $974,290.43 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $974,290.43 |
| Postage | 2.00 | | |
| Ducks | 4.00 | | |
| Gravel | 18.00 | | |
| Backhoe Hire | 10.00 | | |
| | | 2,897.80 | |
| New Equipment: | | | |
| Resurfacing Tennis Court | 1,500.00 | | |
| Baseball Backstop | 552.00 | | |
| Mower | 1,088.00 | | |
| Bleacher | 360.09 | | |
| | | 3,500.09 | |
| | | | 14,553.88 |
| **Veterans' Quarters** | | | |
| Electric Current | 303.85 | | |
| Heating Oil | 671.15 | | |
| Water Rates | 25.00 | | |
| | | 1,000.00 | |
| | | | 1,000.00 |
| **Memorial Day** | | | |
| Barrie's Band | 235.00 | | |
| Hamilton School Band | 200.00 | | |
| Flowers | 120.50 | | |
| Flags | 43.50 | | |
| Refreshments | 47.84 | | |
| Printing, Postage | 43.30 | | |
| | | 690.14 | |
| | | | 690.14 |
| **Town Reports** | | | |
| Newcomb & Gauss, Printing | 2,802.06 | | |
| | | 2,802.06 | |
| | | | 2,802.06 |
| **Town Clock** | | | |
| Winding Clock | 100.00 | | |
| | | 100.00 | |
| | | | 100.00 |
| **Insurance** | | | |
| Blanket Fire Insurance | 1,326.21 | | |
| Workmen's Compensation | 4,601.49 | | |
| Boiler Insurance | 190.22 | | |
| | | 6,117.92 | |
| | | | 6,117.92 |
| Carried forward | | | $999,554.43 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $999,554.43 |
| **Retirement Fund** | | | |
| Essex County Retirement Board | 8,004.38 | | |
| | | 8,004.38 | |
| | | | 8,004.38 |
| **Water Department** | | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Raymond A. Whipple, Supt. | 4,017.00 | | |
| Charles W. Dolliver | 3,500.00 | | |
| Paul A. Tucker | 3,500.00 | | |
| | | 11,017.00 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Electric Current | 4,865.03 | | |
| Pipe, Fittings | 3,152.61 | | |
| Meters | 1,930.28 | | |
| Tools and Supplies | 2,096.06 | | |
| Repairs, Equipment | 1,726.84 | | |
| Trench Digger Hire | 1,139.50 | | |
| Maintenance of Trucks | 783.11 | | |
| Heating Oil | 269.59 | | |
| Printing, Postage, Tel. | 797.35 | | |
| Express | 15.78 | | |
| Liability Insurance | 227.73 | | |
| Association Dues, Expenses | 22.00 | | |
| Fluoride Crystals | 450.16 | | |
| Office Equipment, Supplies | 144.25 | | |
| Advertising for Bids | 53.00 | | |
| Pumping Tests | 714.00 | | |
| | | 18,387.29 | |
| | | | 29,404.29 |
| **Extension of Mains** | | | |
| Pipe and Fittings | 4,152.47 | | |
| Labor | 810.00 | | |
| Digger, Dozer Hire | 1,222.00 | | |
| Hydrants | 167.06 | | |
| Blasting | 145.70 | | |
| | | 6,497.23 | |
| | | | 6,497.23 |
| **Testing Wells** | | | |
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| D. H. Maher Co., Tests | 3,278.04 | | |
| | | 3,278.04 | |
| | | | 3,278.04 |
| Carried forward | | | $1,046,738.37 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $1,046,738.37 |

### Mains, Wells & Pumping Equipment

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| Equipment | 733.40 | | |
| Engineering | 322.40 | | |
| | | 1,055.80 | |
| | | | 1,055.80 |

### Construction of Reservoir & Pumping Station

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1958 Account: | | | |
| Bulldozer Hire | 153.00 | | |
| Gravel | 300.30 | | |
| | | 453.30 | |
| | | | 453.30 |

### Cemetery Department

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Philip Plummer, Supt. | 3,500.00 | | |
| John T. Walke, Clerk | 300.00 | | |
| Salaries of Commissioners | 75.00 | | |
| Other Wages | 887.90 | | |
| | | 4,762.90 | |
| Expenses: | | | |
| Water Rates | 15.00 | | |
| Flowers | 27.60 | | |
| Maintenance of Truck | 125.34 | | |
| Tools and Supplies | 42.43 | | |
| Repairs, Sharpen Tools | 258.60 | | |
| Printing, Office Expense | 77.20 | | |
| Grader Hire | 10.00 | | |
| | | 556.17 | |
| Improvements: | | | |
| Loam | 214.20 | | |
| Plowing, Harrowing | 30.00 | | |
| Grass Seed | 16.40 | | |
| Labor | 263.12 | | |
| | | 523.72 | |
| | | | 5,842.79 |

### Interest

| | |
|---|---|
| Water Bonds, '47 Reservoir & Wells | 100.00 |
| Water Bonds, '47 Laying Mains | 465.00 |
| School Bonds, '52 Construction | 7,800.00 |
| Water Bonds, '57 Reservoir & Wells | 2,430.00 |
| Fire-Police Bldg. Bonds, '57 | 1,815.00 |

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|---|---|
| Carried forward | $1,054,090.26 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Brought forward | | | $1,054,090.26 |
| School Bonds, '58 Construction | 14,500,000 | | |
| Temporary Loan | 968.74 | | |
| | | 28,078.74 | |
| | | | 28,078.74 |
| **Maturing Debt** | | | |
| Water Bonds, '47 Reservoir & Wells | 2,000.00 | | |
| Water Bonds, '47 Laying Mains | 8,000.00 | | |
| School Bonds, '52 Construction | 39,000.00 | | |
| Water Bonds, '57 Reservoir & Wells | 10,000.00 | | |
| Fire-Police Bldg. Bonds, '57 | 10,000.00 | | |
| School Bonds, '58 Construction | 25,000.00 | | |
| | | 94,000.00 | |
| | | | 94,000.00 |
| **Agency** | | | |
| Withholding Tax, State | 2,966.86 | | |
| Withholding Tax, Federal | 52,348.04 | | |
| Retirement Deductions | 6,363.26 | | |
| Dog Licenses for County | 1,214.00 | | |
| | | 62,892.16 | |
| | | | 62,892.16 |
| **Trust Accounts** | | | |
| Cemetery Endowments | 1,500.00 | | |
| Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves | 920.00 | | |
| | | 2,420.00 | |
| | | | 2,420.00 |
| **Miscellaneous** | | | |
| County Tax | 25,612.73 | | |
| State Audit | 1,464.69 | | |
| State Parks | 2,486.05 | | |
| Temporary Loans | 100,000.00 | | |
| Purchase of Treasury Notes | 99,226.00 | | |
| | | 228,789.47 | |
| | | | 228,789.47 |
| **Refunds** | | | |
| 1959 Poll Tax | 2.00 | | |
| 1958 Motor Excise | 740.97 | | |
| 1959 Motor Excise | 1,239.42 | | |
| 1958 Real Estate Tax | 240.30 | | |
| 1959 Real Estate Tax | 1,149.50 | | |
| Water Rates | 37.00 | | |
| Water Services | 3.00 | | |
| Interest | 1.22 | | |
| | | 3,413.41 | |
| | | | 3,413.41 |
| Total Disbursements 1959 | | | $1,473,684.04 |

## Transfers

### *By Annual Town Meeting*

| *From* | *To* | |
|---|---|---|
| Excess and Deficiency | Revenue | $30,000.00 |
| Overlay Reserve | Reserve Fund | 4,000.00 |
| Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund | Cemetery Improvements | 500.00 |

### *By Special Town Meeting June 9, 1959*

| *From* | *To* | |
|---|---|---|
| Excess and Deficiency | Purchase of Railroad Property | $15,000.00 |
| " " " | Regional School District | 9,300.00 |

### *By Finance Committee*

| *From* | *To* | |
|---|---|---|
| Reserve Fund | School | $1,453.99 |
| " " | Town Hall Repairs | 142.31 |
| " " | Town Reports | 402.06 |
| " " | Regional School Committee | 276.69 |
| " " | Fire—Wages | 269.50 |
| " " | Maint. Fire-Police Bldg. | 176.91 |
| " " | Garbage & Refuse | 669.62 |
| " " | Snow & Sanding | 531.51 |
| " " | Health | 133.44 |

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES—1959

| *Appropriation Account* | *Balance* 1/1/59 | *Appropriated by Town Meeting* | *Transfers & Refunds* | *Expended* | *Balance* 12/31/59 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Selectmen Salaries & Expenses | | 5,550.00 | | 5,540.38 | 9.62 |
| Accounting Salary & Expenses | | 4,950.00 | | 4,948.62 | 1.38 |
| Treasury Salary & Expenses | | 2,276.00 | | 2,276.00 | |
| Collector Salary & Expenses | | 3,284.00 | | 3,269.22 | 14.78 |
| Assessors Wages | | 2,500.00 | | 2,440.00 | 60.00 |
| Assessors Expenses | | 650.00 | | 645.41 | 4.59 |
| Law Salary & Expenses | | 2,000.00 | | 1,958.17 | 41.83 |
| Town Clerk Salaries & Expenses | | 7,400.00 | | 7,395.61 | 4.39 |
| Election & Registration | | 1,800.00 | | 1,797.87 | 2.13 |
| Finance Committee Expenses | | 15.00 | | 15.00 | |
| Planning Board Expenses | | 200.00 | | 92.00 | 108.00 |
| Town Hall Salary & Expenses | | 6,385.00 | | 6,369.86 | 15.14 |
| Town Hall Painting & Repairs | 1,023.84 | 2,500.00 | 142.31 | 3,666.15 | |
| Police Salaries & Wages | | 19,209.00 | | 19,161.08 | 47.92 |
| Police Expenses | | 3,300.00 | | 3,209.73 | 90.27 |
| Police Cruiser Purchase | | 2,000.00 | | 1,656.20 | 343.80 |
| Fire Salaries & Wages | | 2,600.00 | 269.50 | 2,869.50 | |
| Fire Expenses | | 3,850.00 | | 3,605.52 | 244.48 |
| Maint. Former Fire Station | | 400.00 | | 387.79 | 12.21 |
| Painting Former Fire Station | | 400.00 | | 400.00 | |
| Const. Fire & Police Bldg. | 108.83 | | | 108.83 | |
| Maint. Fire & Police Bldg. | | 1,350.00 | 176.91 | 1,526.91 | |
| Moth Salary & Wages | | 3,583.00 | | 3,332.40 | 250.60 |
| Moth Expenses | | 850.00 | | 830.62 | 19.38 |
| Moth Priv. Prop. Expenses | | 300.00 | | 250.90 | 49.10 |
| Tree Warden Salary & Wages | | 4,602.00 | | 4,093.16 | 508.84 |
| Tree Warden Expenses | | 160.00 | | 156.26 | 3.74 |

| *Appropriation Account* | *Balance* 1/1/59 | *Appropriated by Town Meeting* | *Transfers & Refunds* | *Expended* | *Balance* 12/31/59 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tree Warden Planting Trees | | 300.00 | | 298.50 | 1.50 |
| Tree Warden Pruning Elms | | 1,200.00 | | 1,199.25 | .75 |
| Sealer Salary & Expenses | | 330.00 | | 176.45 | 153.55 |
| Animal Inspector Salary & Expenses | | 140.00 | | 140.00 | |
| Civil Defense Expenses | 81.30 | 1,150.00 | | 1,187.38 | 43.92 |
| Mosquito Control (1958 Acct.) | 1,004.00 | | | 996.00 | 8.00 |
| Mosquito Control (1959 Acct.) | | 2,500.00 | | 2,398.50 | 101.50 |
| Cleaning Rivers & Streams | 196.61 | | | 192.00 | 4.61 |
| Two-Way Radio Equipment | | 2,000.00 | | 10.00 | 1,990.00 |
| Health Salaries & Expenses | | 1,755.00 | 133.44 | 1,888.44 | |
| Health Garbage & Refuse Disposal | | 18,496.00 | 669.62 | 19,166.42 | |
| Health Truck Chassis Purchase | | 3,000.00 | | 2,713.23 | 286.77 |
| Dental Clinic | | 3,900.00 | | 3,350.00 | 550.00 |
| Water Mains to Dump | 2,000.00 | | | 1,999.01 | .99 |
| Highway Salary & Wages | | 27,904.00 | | 27,249.85 | 654.15 |
| Highway Expenses | | 10,945.00 | | 10,920.26 | 24.74 |
| Highway — Sidewalks | | 1,000.00 | | 992.59 | 7.41 |
| Highway — Gravel Roads | | 5,000.00 | | 4,977.28 | 22.72 |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | | 1,000.00 | 500.00 | 1,498.97 | 1.03 |
| Chapter 90 Construction | 6,861.16 | 3,000.00 | 9,000.00 | 17,449.88 | 1,411.28 |
| Willow Street Const. | 175.89 | | | 175.89 | |
| Snow Removal & Sanding | | 10,000.00 | 611.92 | 10,611.92 | |
| Street Lighting | | 11,300.00 | | 11,121.74 | 178.26 |
| Public Welfare Sal. & Exp. | | 5,120.00 | | 2,340.34 | 2,779.66 |
| Disability Assistance | | 11,000.00 | 22.90 | 9,499.34 | 1,523.56 |
| Aid to Dep. Children Assist. | | 3,000.00 | 55.00 | 1,976.71 | 1,078.29 |
| Old Age Assistance | | 24,000.00 | 135.95 | 23,915.49 | 220.46 |
| Old Age Assist. Administration | | 2,750.00 | | 2,725.69 | 24.31 |
| Veterans' Benefits | | 5,500.00 | | 3,073.75 | 2,426.25 |

| *Appropriation Account* | *Balance* 1/1/59 | *Appropriated by Town Meeting* | *Transfers & Refunds* | *Expended* | *Balance* 12/31/59 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| School General Expense | | 18,298.00 | | 17,067.08 | 1,230.92 |
| School Expense of Instruction | | 270,318.94 | | 267,048.16 | 3,270.78 |
| School Auxiliary Agencies | | 30,594.00 | 177.00 | 29,484.58 | 1,286.42 |
| School Textbooks & Supplies | | 16,962.69 | 1,217.95 | 18,179.86 | .78 |
| School Operation of Plant | | 33,613.00 | | 33,593.28 | 19.72 |
| School Maintenance & Repairs | | 8,225.00 | | 8,146.60 | 78.40 |
| School Outlay for Equipment | | 4,782.00 | 395.00 | 4,672.63 | 504.37 |
| School Vocational | | 1,000.00 | 253.99 | 1,253.99 | |
| Plans & Const. Ele. School | 327,927.44 | | 18.76 | 264,594.71 | 63,351.49 |
| Regional School District | | 9,300.00 | | 4,777.42 | 4,522.58 |
| Regional School Planning Comm. | 200.00 | | 276.69 | 476.69 | |
| School Needs Study Comm. | 243.39 | | | | 243.39 |
| Library Salaries & Wages | | 3,808.00 | | 3,807.99 | .01 |
| Library Expenses | | 3,100.00 | | 3,094.60 | 5.40 |
| Plans for New Library | 185.00 | | | 78.00 | 107.00 |
| Park Salaries & Wages | | 7,107.00 | | 3,039.99 | 50.01 |
| Park Instructors & Clerk | | 1,100.00 | | 1,099.00 | 1.00 |
| Park Expenses | | 2,920.00 | | 2,897.80 | 22.20 |
| Park New Equipment | | 3,550.00 | | 3,500.09 | 49.91 |
| Veterans' Quarters | | 1,000.00 | | 1,000.00 | |
| Memorial Day | | 700.00 | | 690.14 | 9.86 |
| Town Reports | | 2,400.00 | 402.06 | 2,802.06 | |
| Town Clock | | 100.00 | | 100.00 | |
| Insurance | | 9,500.00 | | 6,117.92 | 3,382.08 |
| Retirement Fund | | 8,004.38 | | 8,004.38 | |
| Reserve Fund | | 8,000.00 | | 4,056.03 | 3,943.97 |
| Purchase Railroad Property | | 15,000.00 | | | 15,000.00 |
| Water Salaries | | 11,017.00 | | 11,017.00 | |
| Water Expenses | | 18,470.00 | | 18,387.29 | 82.71 |

| *Appropriation Account* | *Balance* 1/1/59 | *Appropriated by Town Meeting* | *Transfers & Refunds* | *Expended* | *Balance* 12/31/59 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Water Extension of Mains | | 6,500.00 | | 6,497.23 | 2.77 |
| Water Testing Wells | 3,454.80 | | | 3,278.04 | 176.76 |
| Water Wells, Pumping Equip. | 5,972.66 | | | 1,055.80 | 4,916.86 |
| Water, Reservoir, Pump House | 4,990.85 | | | 453.30 | 4,537.55 |
| Water, Purchase of Land | | 10.00 | | | 10.00 |
| Cemetery Salaries | | 3,875.00 | | 3,875.00 | |
| Cemetery Labor & Exp. | | 1,100.00 | 344.07 | 1,444.07 | |
| Cemetery Improvements | 170.74 | | 500.00 | 523.72 | 147.02 |
| Interest | | 29,000.00 | | 28,078.74 | 921.26 |
| Maturing Debt | | 95,000.00 | | 94,000.00 | 1,000.00 |

# TRUST FUNDS

## DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1959 | $ 742.82 |
| Interest added during 1959 | 25.37 |
| Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1959 | $ 768.19 |

## H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1959 | $ 1,290.61 |
| Interest added during 1959 | 43.90 |
| Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1959 | $ 1,334.51 |

## MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1959 | $ 637.92 |
| Interest added during 1959 | 21.69 |
| Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1959 | $ 659.61 |

## CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1959 | $36,082.09 |
| Interest added during 1959 | 1,251.58 |
| Bequests added during 1959 | 1,500.00 |
| | $38,833.67 |
| Transferred to Town for care of lots | 655.00 |
| Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1959 | $38,178.67 |
| Cash in General Treasury December 31, 1959 | 400.00 |
| Savings Bank deposits & Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1959 | $38,578.67 |

## CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS & GRAVES FUND

| | |
|---|---|
| Savings Bank deposits January 1, 1959 | $11,841.45 |
| Interest added during 1959 | 403.89 |
| Receipts from sales added during 1959 | 920.00 |
| | $13,165.34 |
| Withdrawn for Cemetery purposes | 500.00 |
| Savings Bank deposits December 31, 1959 | $12,665.34 |
| Cash in General Treasury December 31, 1959 | 140.00 |
| Savings Bank deposits & Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1959 | $12,805.34 |

# TOWN OF HAMILTON

## Balance Sheet — December 31, 1959

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

### Assets

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash: | | |
| General | | $272,426.89 |
| Accounts Receivable: | | |
| Taxes | | |
| Levy of 1958 | | |
| Personal Property | $ 20.80 | |
| Levy of 1959 | | |
| Poll | 16.00 | |
| Personal Property | 1,002.40 | |
| Real Estate | 13,541.30 | |
| | | 14,580.50 |
| Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise: | | |
| Levy of 1958 | 96.65 | |
| Levy of 1959 | 14,497.62 | |
| | | 14,594.27 |
| Special Assessments: | | |
| Moth 1959 | | 9.30 |
| Tax Titles | | 233.84 |
| Departmental | | |
| Health | 218.00 | |
| Public Welfare | 19.82 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 184.51 | |
| School Tuition | 60.00 | |
| Cemetery Care | 96.00 | |
| | | 578.33 |
| Water: | | |
| Rates | 12,942.93 | |
| Services | 360.67 | |
| Liens Added to 1959 Taxes | 464.30 | |
| | | 13,767.90 |
| Aid to Highways: | | |
| State (Chap. 90) | 6,620.46 | |
| County (Chap. 90) | 3,303.75 | |
| | | 9,924.21 |
| Unprovided for or Overdrawn Accounts: | | |
| Overlay Deficits: | | |
| Levy of 1958 | 1,580.80 | |
| Levy of 1959 | 4,936.47 | |
| | | 6,517.27 |
| | | $332,632.51 |

## Liabilities and Reserves

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Agency: | | |
| State Withholding Tax | $ 1,373.16 | |
| Federal Withholding Tax | 5,255.04 | |
| Retirement Deductions | 679.13 | |
| | | $ 7,307.33 |
| Tailings: | | |
| Unclaimed checks | | 41.18 |
| Trust Funds: | | |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care | | 400.00 |
| Trust Funds Income: | | |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care | | 654.14 |
| Recoveries: | | |
| Old Age Assistance | | 2,657.30 |
| Federal Grants: | | |
| Disability Assistance: | | |
| Assistance | 4,187.60 | |
| Administration | 335.46 | |
| Aid to Dependent Children: | | |
| Assistance | 8,872.28 | |
| Administration | 921.37 | |
| Old Age Assistance: | | |
| Assistance | 26,400.02 | |
| Administration | 3,012.36 | |
| | | 43,729.09 |
| Education: | | |
| Revolving Funds: | | |
| School Cafeteria | 1,794.04 | |
| School Athletics | 1,179.02 | |
| | | 2,973.06 |
| Appropriation Balances: | | |
| Revenue: | | |
| General | 21,830.61 | |
| Non-Revenue: | | |
| School Construction | 63,351.49 | |
| Reservoir — Wells & Pump Station | 9,454.41 | |
| | | 94,636.51 |
| Overestimates 1959 Assessments: | | |
| State Parks | 242.95 | |
| County Tax | 451.56 | |
| Maintenance Essex San. | 254.76 | |
| | | 949.27 |
| Sale of Real Estate Fund | | 3,350.00 |
| Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund | | 140.00 |
| Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus | | 7,147.99 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Revenue Reserved Until Collected: | | |
| Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise | 14,594.27 | |
| Special Assessments | 9.30 | |
| Tax Title | 233.84 | |
| Departmental | 578.33 | |
| Water | 13,767.90 | |
| Aid to Highways | 9,924.21 | |
| | | 39,107.85 |
| Surplus Revenue: | | |
| General | | 129,538.79 |
| | | $332,632.51 |

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt: | | |
| Inside Debt Limit: | | |
| General | | $ 402,000.00 |
| Outside Debt Limit: | | |
| General | $ 597,000.00 | |
| Public Service Enterprise | 109,000.00 | |
| | | 706,000.00 |
| | | $1,108,000.00 |
| Special Loans: | | |
| Inside Debt Limit: | | |
| General | | |
| School | 346,000.00 | |
| Municipal Building | 56,000.00 | |
| | | 402,000.00 |
| Outside Debt Limit: | | |
| General | | |
| School | 597,000.00 | |
| Public Service Enterprises: | | |
| Water | 109,000.00 | |
| | | 706,000.00 |
| | | $1,108,000.00 |

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Trust and Investment Funds: | | |
| Cash and Securities: | | |
| In Custody of Treasurer | | $ 53,606.32 |
| | | $ 53,606.32 |
| In Custody of Treasurer: | | |
| Library Funds: | | |
| Dr. Justin Allen | $ 768.19 | |
| H. Augustus Dodge | 1,334.51 | |
| | | 2,102.70 |
| Cemetery Funds: | | |
| Perpetual Care | 38,178.67 | |
| Sale of Lots and Graves | 12,665.34 | |
| | | 50,844.01 |
| Other Funds: | | |
| Maxwell Norman | | 659.61 |
| | | $ 53,606.32 |

TOWN OF HAMILTON
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS
December 31, 1959

| Date of Maturity | Water Bonds, Reservoir & Wells 1¼%, Issued 10-1-47 | Water Bonds, Laying Mains 1½%, Issued 11-1-47 | School Bonds, Addition to High & New Elementary 1.6%, Issued 2-1-52 | Water Bonds, Reservoir & Wells 2.7%, Issued 1-1-57 | Fire-Police Bldg. Bonds 2.75%, Issued 8-1-57 | School Const. Bonds, 2.90% Issued 8-1-58 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1960 | $2,000 00 | $8,000 00 | $39,000 00 | $10,000 00 | $10,000 00 | $25,000 00 | $94,000 00 |
| 1961 | 2,000 00 | 8,000 00 | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 25,000 00 | 94,000 00 |
| 1962 | 2,000 00 | 7,000 00 | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 25,000 00 | 93,000 00 |
| 1963 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 25,000 00 | 84,000 00 |
| 1964 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 25,000 00 | 84,000 00 |
| 1965 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | 6,000 00 | 25,000 00 | 80,000 00 |
| 1966 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | | 25,000 00 | 74,000 00 |
| 1967 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | | 25,000 00 | 74,000 00 |
| 1968 | | | 39,000 00 | 10,000 00 | | 25,000 00 | 74,000 00 |
| 1969 | | | 39,000 00 | | | 25,000 00 | 64,000 00 |
| 1970 | | | 39,000 00 | | | 25,000 00 | 64,000 00 |
| 1971 | | | 39,000 00 | | | 25,000 00 | 64,000 00 |
| 1972 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1973 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1974 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1975 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1976 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1977 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| 1978 | | | | | | 25,000 00 | 25,000 00 |
| | $6,000 00 | $23,000 00 | $468,000 00 | $90,000 00 | $56,000 00 | $475,000 00 | $1,118,000 00 |

## STATEMENT OF TAX RATE, VALUATION (REAL AND PERSONAL) AND TAX LEVY FOR THE YEARS 1920 TO 1959

| *Year* | *Tax Rate* | *Valuation* | *Tax Levy* |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1920 | $16.00 | $ 4,250,789. | $ 67,992.62 |
| 1921 | 20.00 | 4,371,054. | 87,421.08 |
| 1922 | 17.00 | 4,468,116. | 75,957.98 |
| 1923 | 21.00 | 4,784,584. | 100,476.43 |
| 1924 | 21.00 | 5,048,070. | 106,009.36 |
| 1925 | 23.80 | 5,166,948. | 122,972.14 |
| 1926 | 24.20 | 5,370,071. | 129,957.01 |
| 1927 | 23.80 | 5,630,499. | 134,005.09 |
| 1928 | 23.40 | 5,753,574. | 134,663.62 |
| 1929 | 22.70 | 5,711,382. | 129,649.54 |
| 1930 | 23.60 | 5,788,648. | 136,613.32 |
| 1931 | 24.70 | 5,790,487. | 143,025.54 |
| 1932 | 23.70 | 5,852,447. | 138,703.59 |
| 1933 | 22.30 | 5,896,443. | 131,490.68 |
| 1934 | 23.80 | 5,764,536. | 137,195.96 |
| 1935 | 28.60 | 5,725,581. | 163,751.62 |
| 1936 | 27.50 | 5,449,678. | 149,866.14 |
| 1937 | 26.70 | 5,388,069. | 143,862.20 |
| 1938 | 25.30 | 5,487,383. | 138,830.79 |
| 1939 | 25.00 | 5,459,920. | 136,498.13 |
| 1940 | 23.80 | 5,527,226. | 131,548.11 |
| 1941 | 23.40 | 5,593,694. | 130,892.44 |
| 1942 | 23.20 | 5,611,430. | 130,185.20 |
| 1943 | 22.00 | 5,530,325. | 121,667.15 |
| 1944 | 22.00 | 5,550,895. | 122,119.69 |
| 1945 | 24.00 | 5,311,605. | 127,478.52 |
| 1946 | 27.00 | 5,325,260. | 143,782.12 |
| 1947 | 31.60 | 5,706,960. | 180,339.95 |
| 1948 | 35.00 | 5,733,295. | 202,644.66 |
| 1949 | 35.00 | 6,038,280. | 212,178.14 |
| 1950 | 38.00 | 6,323,100. | 240,277.80 |
| 1951 | 38.00 | 6,603,385. | 250,928.43 |
| 1952 | 38.00 | 6,887,205. | 261,713.79 |
| 1953 | 42.00 | 7,377,925. | 309,872.85 |
| 1954 | 42.00 | 8,014,920. | 336,626.64 |
| 1955 | 42.00 | 8,390,985. | 352,421.37 |
| 1956 | 43.00 | 9,073,215. | 390,148.38 |
| 1957 | 48.00 | 9,559,310. | 458,846.88 |
| 1958 | 52.00 | 9,877,015. | 513,604.78 |
| 1959 | 56.00 | 10,203,875. | 574,405.00 |

# REPORT *of an* AUDIT

of

# THE ACCOUNTS

of the

# TOWN *of* HAMILTON

For the year 1959

I regret to announce that for the first time in more than forty years the State Bureau of Accounts has failed to audit the accounts of the Town of Hamilton during the month of January. Because of this there is no Report of an Audit printed in the 1959 town report.

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

*Town Accountant*

# REPORT

of the

# HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1959

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*"Quality Education Is Our Goal"*

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| *Members* | *Terms Expire* |
|---|---|
| Donald L. Miller, Chairman, 351 Bay Road, South Hamilton | 1962 |
| Frederick J. Caldwell, Sr., Vice-Chairman, 118 Linden Street, South Hamilton | 1962 |
| Richard M. Emery, 30 Moynihan Road, South Hamilton | 1960 |
| James E. Hall, Rock Maple Avenue, Hamilton | 1960 |
| Morley L. Piper, 428 Essex Street, Hamilton | 1961 |

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

WINTHROP SCHOOL

Mail Address: Bay Road, South Hamilton, Massachusetts

Telephone: Hamilton 1250

John H. Lawson, Ed.D. ..... *Superintendent of Schools*

Elizabeth P. Edmondson ..... *Secretary*

Ruth P. Whipple ..... *Bookkeeper*

Madeline Ricker ..... *Census Enumerator*

Irene Dankowski ..... *Truant Officer*

# REPORT OF THE HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

*To the Voters of Hamilton:*

The School Committee herewith accepts and transmits to the Town the report of the Superintendent of Schools for the Year 1959.

During 1959 there were two major additions to the Hamilton educational system: Our Summer School Program became operative in July and The Winthrop School opened in September. The Summer School Program, which was virtually self-supporting through the payment of a ten dollar ($10.00) per course tuition proved extremely successful at all grade levels. Not only was the response high in the number of pupils enrolled, but the results achieved became readily evident in the classroom work of the individual students early in the regular school year. It is our intent to continue this program and expand it further should the demand exist during the summer of 1960. In September of 1960 the opening of the new Winthrop School and its integration into the Hamilton system was accomplished in a very efficient manner by the Superintendent, the new principal, and the teachers. To date, the new facility has worked out very well and has proven to be a valuable and necessary addition to our plant facilities.

Looking at the broad picture it is gratifying to note that an increasing percentage of our graduates are being accepted to accredited colleges such as Bryn Mawr, Connecticut College for Women, Wellesley, Dartmouth College, Rensselaer, Lowell Tech, The University of Massachusetts, and The University of New Hampshire. Through its attention to staff and curriculum your committee is making every effort to see that this trend continues.

The progress which your school committee feels has been made during the past year could not have been accomplished without the full cooperation of the faculty and staff in putting into practice those policies established and recommendations made by the school committee and the superintendent of schools.

During 1960 your school committee has worked with yet another major factor in mind, the overwhelming indication on the part of the voters of both the towns of Hamilton and Wenham to ultimately achieve a regional high school. Toward this end, a Superintendency Union has been established between the two towns for the elementary grades and

other steps have been taken which it is hoped will facilitate the physical part of regionalization, should that be the final decision of the voters.

Realizing that an increased tax rate is burdensome to all, your school committee would like to express its sincere appreciation to all the taxpayers of the Town of Hamilton for the spirit of support which has been evidenced and without which our program could not go forward.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. MILLER, *Chairman*
FREDERICK J. CALDWELL, *Vice Chairman*
RICHARD M. EMERY
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# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

December 31, 1959

*To the Members of the School Committee:*

It is with pleasure that I submit my third annual report as Superintendent of the Hamilton Public Schools. Last year considerable information was transmitted in the annual report to provide you and the citizens with a description of the status of our schools and to provide some insight into our future direction. This year the report will confine itself to some of the major accomplishments of 1959 and will also reflect some of our aspirations.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION

After a lapse of 18 years, the school systems of Hamilton and Wenham were reunited by the formation of a Superintendency Union on October first. The purpose of this reunion was to place all of the schools in the two towns, including the proposed regional high school, under one administration. The realignment will provide greater economy of operation and will also permit coordination of all educational activities in the two towns. This new administrative arrangement should set the stage for development of a program of studies which will provide the same basic program for students of both towns before and after they enter the regional high school. Why was October first selected for the formation of the new union? Although some thought had been given by local and regional school committee members to the ultimate consolidation of the two towns' schools, the development of the union was swift. The action, recommended by the State Department of Education, was initiated by the resignation of the Topsfield-Wenham Superintendent, Mr. Maurice Smith, to accept a similar position in Connecticut. Topsfield, now in a Regional program with Boxford and Middleton, requested permission to separate from Wenham in order to join with Boxford. The state department agreed to let Topsfield unite with Boxford providing Wenham could join Hamilton. Thus, on October first, the Hamilton-Wenham Union was organized and the Hamilton Superintendent elected to administer the newly created union. At present the local schools in each town are being directed by their respective school committees and the regional unit is administered by a joint committee, consisting of three members from each town. Ultimately, all schools should be administered by one school committee with representatives serving from each town.

## WINTHROP SCHOOL

The opening of the Winthrop School in September has had favorable affects on the school system as a whole. For the first time since 1949, all

students in the public schools of Hamilton are attending classes in regular school buildings. The new facility has permitted reorganization of all grades so that the Cutler School now houses students from the kindergarten through grade three, the Winthrop School handles grades four, five and six, and the High School provides rooms for students in the seventh through the twelfth grades.

The new school contains twelve classrooms, a playroom, a cafetorium with a stage, a small library, a teachers' room, and offices for the principal and superintendent. The school is very functional and was constructed at a very reasonable cost. The town should be very proud of this investment in the future of our community.

Many people worked hard to have this facility ready in September. The members of the Elementary Building Committee labored endlessly and the school custodial and secretarial staffs contributed much also. Few people in town realize that the custodians, with the help of Mr. Stelline of the Park Department and Mr. Haraden of the Tree Department, moved all of the old equipment for grades 4, 5, and 6 from the Cutler and High Schools to the Winthrop School, prior to the opening of school in September. The secretarial staff prepared, under the direction of the Superintendent, all specifications and awards for the new equipment purchased for the school, thus saving the town the expense of having the architect or an equipment consultant do this work.

Although the usual problems encountered in any new structure have been evident, I am happy to report to the committee and town that the school is functioning well. Comparisons with the cost of building similar structures in other communities clearly indicates that we have a quality structure at minimum cost.

## REGIONAL SCHOOL

The school development which will have the greatest impact upon the future of the town was the overwhelming approval of the Hamilton-Wenham Regional agreement by the town in June. Although our present high school is doing a commendable job of preparing its student body for training beyond the secondary level, it is obvious that our high school program is being hampered by a serious lack of adequate facilities such as science laboratories, guidance areas, a library, shop and home economics rooms. These aforementioned facilities, needed for adequate high school education in 1960, can only be made available by the construction of a new high school. In such a school, as proposed for the Regional District, the town will be able to offer all of the essential facilities of a comprehensive high school at reasonable cost. Although there are critics of the regional movement, the facts are clear to those who seriously study the regional development. It is the best answer for small towns which have been hit by the impact of large increases in pupils within the past few years. By combining our resources with Wenham, in the construction of a high school, we not only solve the problem of providing adequate secondary facilities but also make classroom space available for our surging junior high school population which will fill to capacity the present high school building within a few years.

## ENROLLMENTS

An examination of the 1957 annual report will enable the reader to observe the accuracy of our pupil projections thus far. Our prediction for 1959 was 1290 pupils while the actual number of students enrolled was 1276. These figures reemphasize the need for town support in not only providing facilities for our increasing high school population but in preparing ourselves for consideration of additional elementary facilities in the near future. Our projections listed below were made on the basis of the number of children born up to 1957 and the number who have moved to town since 1945. Any major housing development in the town would certainly make these projection figures inaccurate and will require additional school rooms.

### PUPIL ENROLLMENTS AND PERCENT OF INCREASE 1954 — 1960

| Enrollment | 763 | 872 | 978 | 1054 | 1159 | 1276 | 1408* | 1530* | 1660* | 1800* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Year | 1954 over 1953 | 1955 over 1954 | 1956 over 1955 | 1957 over 1956 | 1958 over 1957 | 1959 over 1958 | 1960 over 1959 | 1961 over 1960 | 1962 over 1961 | 1963 over 1962 |
| % of increase | 12% | 14% | 12% | 8% | 10% | 13% | 11% | 10% | 10% | 10% |

*Estimated

## SCHOOL COSTS

The cost of all services has been rising steadily for many years and schools are no exception. An evaluation of the 1959 financial statement and the 1960 budget will clearly show that our school costs have been increasing considerably each year. This increase is caused, for the most part, by the increase in the number of pupils attending the local schools. For example, the present total of 1276 boys and girls will increase to 1408 in 1960 and 1530 in 1961. Consequently, the 1960 budget reflects the cost of extra teachers, supplies and services necessary to handle this increased enrollment.

The average citizen might well ask whether or not the School Committee is careful in its budget planning and spending. This can best be answered by presenting a few statistics of importance. In 1959, Hamilton's per pupil cost without deducting reimbursements was $305, while the state average for towns in our class was $326. During this same period the amount expended by the neighboring towns of Wenham, Topsfield, Essex and Manchester was $383, $333, $453, and $320 respectively. Last year, Hamilton expended 48% of the local tax dollar for schools while the average in our classification was 50%.

It would be fortunate if this report could say that future expenditures would be less but this is not possible in a town that shows a gain

of over one hundred new pupils each year. The 1959 budget of $383,793.63 plus $1453.99 in transfers was actually reduced by approximately $68,890.88 which was returned to the town from various sources as school reimbursements. An additional amount of approximately $15,000 was also received for school construction aid.

School costs represent the greatest share of any town's expense but also represent the greatest investment a community can make. The sacrifices being made in expenditures should be accepted with the understanding that whatever sacrifice our town may make is an investment in our children rather than an expense. To do less, would be to offer our children a second-rate education to compete in today's rapidly changing society.

## STAFF

The success of any school system is dependent upon the calibre of the teaching staff and the subsequent learning that takes place in the various classrooms. We are most fortunate in Hamilton in having a group of dedicated and professional teachers. Despite the acute shortage of trained instructors, we have been able to staff our schools well. This year, it was necessary to select seven additional teachers to staff the Winthrop School and two more to instruct increased numbers at the upper grade levels. Much time and effort is required to seek out and select the kind of teachers desired in Hamilton. The only way that we can continue to keep our good teachers and to attract qualified replacements is to offer salaries which are equal to or better than those being paid in other communities in the area.

In addition to the many duties involved in teaching every day, many of our staff are studying for advanced degrees at nearby colleges and universities while others are engaged in in-service projects or doing private study and research. In teaching, as in medicine and engineering, it is no longer acceptable to use outmoded techniques. Our teachers and other staff members are to be commended for their cooperation, effort and desire to see our system become second to none. It is only by their contributions that we have been able to make as much progress as our schools witnessed during 1959.

It would be impossible to comment on the staff without paying special tribute to Miss Florence Stobbart who retired after serving the town as school nurse for 34 years and Miss Edith Anderson who taught the children of this town for 40 years. Both of these dedicated servants have left lasting marks on our schools and their retirements are looked upon with much regret. We miss these loyal and dedicated school employees and wish them well in their years of well-deserved retirement.

The Hamilton Public Schools are good schools. Our products are now able to gain admission to well known and recognized colleges and they are also able to gain desirable employment after graduation. The year 1959 saw many improvements in our school program. Among the major accomplishments were:

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 1959

A. Curriculum improvement

1. Grouping students from grades 3-8 by abilities
2. Teaching developmental reading classes in grades 7 and 8
3. Adopting French as a part of the curriculum in grades 4-8
4. Completing a new course of study for the elementary arithmetic program
5. Completing courses of study for all junior and senior high school subjects
6. Organizing a high school library within limited space available
7. Adding physical education to the curriculum of grades 4, 5, and 6
8. Transferring the responsibility for handwriting from outside instructors to the local staff
9. Continuing study of curriculum by teacher groups
10. Adopting plan of homework assignments for some primary students
11. Establishing a class for children who need special help
12. Organizing the high school day on a 7 period day to enable more opportunities for extra labs, activities and remedial help in math and other subjects
13. Introducing outside speakers to classes when expert opinion is needed on a particular topic
14. Participating in educational TV programs in English and Science

B. In-Service Education

1. Studying at local universities by many staff members
2. Meetings of department heads
3. Meetings of teachers within buildings by grades and subjects
4. Meetings of principals with superintendent
5. Releasing classes for afternoon in-service program
6. Developing new report cards for elementary grades
7. Introducing a program of teacher visitation to other school systems

C. Construction, Maintenance and General Operation

1. Constructing the Winthrop School
2. Repairing flashing, repainting doors, cleaning and refireproofing stage curtains and other minor maintenance work at the Cutler School
3. Repainting rooms, interior doors, installing new shop ceiling, repairing heating system and other minor work at the high school

D. Other accomplishments

1. Organizing a summer school program for remedial and enrichment work
2. Playing 11 man football at the high school
3. Introducing golf, tennis, cross country at high school
4. Preparing parents' bulletin at Winthrop School
5. Releasing to the town federal funds received under Public Law 874
6. Opening of a speech clinic in Hamilton by the Hamilton-Wenham Lions Club
7. Opening of Winthrop School with its new cafeteria
8. Inviting parents to participate in school lunch programs
9. Continuing participation of an active PTA in the best interests of the schools
10. Introducing adult education courses in Hamilton
11. Reorganizing National Honor Society at the high school

Changes and subsequent improvements are constantly taking place in any recognized school system and Hamilton is no exception. Among the recommendations that I plan to present to the School Committee and town in the year to come, the following are particularly called to your attention:

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Constructing a regional high school with Wenham.
2. Appointing a director of elementary education who will consolidate and correlate the elementary programs in the two towns.
3. Developing mutual understanding between the towns of Hamilton and Wenham in order that complete regionalization of all grades may become possible.

4. Continuing public support in making the academic side of our schools the number one objective.

5. Continuing public support in helping our schools to progress towards the present high level goals which are being pursued.

6. Adopting a system of rewarding teachers on their individual value rather than the basis of a step salary scale.

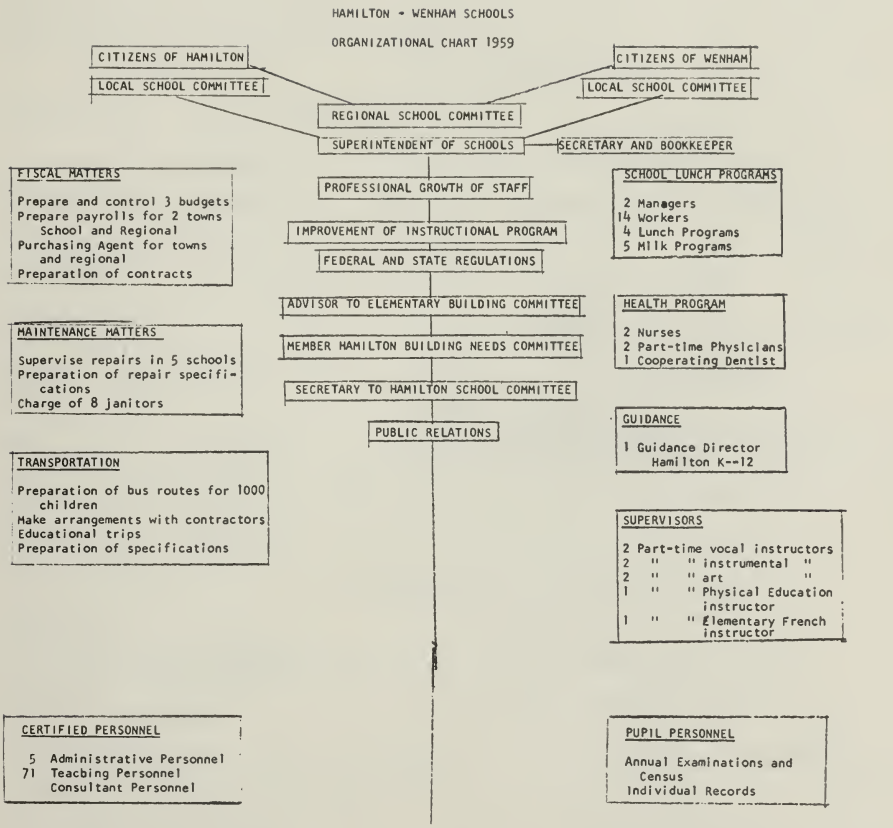
7. Considering an eleven month work year for some teachers in order that time be made available for developing new curriculum materials, analyzing student strengths and weaknesses and teaching remedial and enrichment classes.

In 1959, the people of Hamilton again showed their willingness to support our educational program by constructing the Winthrop School and by continuing their support of the total school development. Our town officials have helped immeasurably by their advice, guidance and help and our administrators, teachers and students have demonstrated favorable attitudes towards teaching and learning. However important these contributions have been, they could not have been made without the courage, direction and leadership which the Chairman and Members of the School Committee have demonstrated to the town and its schools. Few, if any, other town committees are asked to spend as much time in the service of the community without remuneration. We are always very much aware of their outstanding contributions and we want to publicly state our appreciation of their unselfish efforts in behalf of our schools. When a community plans and works together for the best interests of its schools, progress is inevitable. As this report indicates 1959 has been a very fruitful year in the Hamilton Public Schools.

It is my firm conviction that the future of our public school program in Hamilton is bright. I look forward to its development with great optimism.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. LAWSON




| Hamilton High School | | Manasseh Cutler School | | Winthrop School | | Bessie Buker School | | Wenham Junior High School | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Super. Principal | 1 | Super. Principal | 1 | Super. Principal | 1 | Super. Principal | 1 | Teach.Principal |
| 19 | Teachers | 17 | Teachers | 12 | Teachers | 15 | Teachers | 8 | Teachers |
| 1/2 | Clerk | 1/4 | Clerk | 1/4 | Clerk | 1/2 | Clerk | 1/2 | Clerk |
| 2 | Custodians | 2 | Custodians | 1 | Custodian | 2 | Custodians | 1 | Custodian |
| 416 | Students | 512 | Students | 341 | Students | 309 | Students | 150 | Students |
| | Cafeteria | | Cafeteria | | Cafeteria | | Cafeteria | | |

## FINANCE

*Appropriation, State and Local Reimbursement for Hamilton Public Schools*

| | 1959 Budget | 1960 Budget |
|---|---|---|
| *Appropriated at Town Meeting:* | | |
| Regular Budget | $382,793.63 | $431,263.00 |
| Plus Transfers | 1,453.99 | |
| Specials | 1,000.00 | 1,500.00 |
| | $385,247.62 | $432,763.00 |
| *Returned to the Town from:* | | |
| Unexpended Budget | $ 6,940.36 | $ 5,000.00 |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts: General School Fund | 45,321.75 | 48,196.00 |
| Vocational | 483.73 | 500.00 |
| Transportation (Regular) | 5,875.00 | 12,500.00 |
| Transportation (Special Education and Special Class) | —— | 1,000.00 |
| Public Law 874 | 8,708.68 | 5,000.00 |
| National Defense Act | —— | 1,500.00 |
| Tuition: | | |
| Town of Wenham | 1,537.50 | 1,500.00 |
| Town of Essex | 240.00 | 400.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 314.18 | 200.00 |
| | $ 69,421.20 | $ 75,796.00 |
| Net Cost to the Town | $315,826.43 | $356,967.00 |
| Actual Returns for 1959, Estimated for 1960 | | |
| Actual net cost for 1959, Estimated for 1960 | | |

## HOW WAS OUR SCHOOL MONEY SPENT?

| Categories | Budget 1959 | Expended 1959 | Percent of Total | Budget 1960 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. General Expense | $ 18,298.00 | $ 17,067.08 | 4.5 | $ 15,402.00 |
| 2. Expense of Instruction | 270,318.94 | 267,048.16 | 70.5 | 304,451.00 |
| 3. Textbooks and Supplies | 16,962.69 | 18,161.91 | 4.8 | 19,193.00 |
| Transfer | 1,200.00 | | | |
| | 18,162.69 | | | |
| 4. Operation of Plant | 33,613.00 | 33,593.28 | 8.9 | 43,785.00 |
| 5. Maintenance of Plant | 8,225.00 | 7,703.00 | 2. | 8,200.00 |
| 6. Auxiliary Agencies | 30,594.00 | 29,202.21 | 7.8 | 34,842.00 |
| 7. Outlay | 4,782.00 | 4,277.63 | 1.2 | 5,390.00 |
| 8. Special Appropriation | 1,000.00 | 1,253.99 | 0.3 | 1,500.00 |
| Transfer | 253.99 | | | |
| | 1,253.99 | | | |
| Totals | $385,247.62 | $378,307.26 | 100 | $432,763.00 |

## FROM WHERE DID OUR SCHOOL MONEY COME?

| Sources | 1959 | 1960 |
|---|---|---|
| 1. Commonwealth of Massachusetts | $ 51,680.48 | $ 62,196.00 |
| 2. United States Government | 8,708.68 | 6,500.00 |
| 3. Local Taxation | 322,766.78 | 361,967.00 |
| 4. Tuition and Miscellaneous | 2,091.68 | 2,100.00 |
| | $385,247.62 | $432,763.00 |

The portion from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is based on the number of children attending school between the ages of 7 and 16 on October 1st of each year.

The portion from the United States Government is based on the average daily attendance of children whose parents are employed on federal properties. A minimum of 3% is necessary for a community to be eligible. Approximately $220.00 is received annually for each pupil in this category.

## PUBLIC LAW 874 REVOLVING FUND
1959

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance, January 1, 1959 | | $3,449.00 |
| Receipts during 1959 | $3,650.00 | |
| | 1,609.69 | 5,259.68 |
| Total Cash | | $8,708.68 |
| Transferred to "E and D" Fund of Town of Hamilton | | $8,708.68 |
| Balance, December 31, 1959 | | None |

## CAFETERIA REVOLVING FUND
1959

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash Balance, January 1, 1959 | | $ 2,158.05 |
| Receipts during 1959 | | |
| Sale of Meals | $29,978.12 | |
| Federal Subsidy | 13,087.40 | |
| Total | | 43,065.52 |
| Total Cash | | $45,223.57 |
| Expenditures during 1959: | | |
| Labor | $11,391.75 | |
| Food | 31,276.01 | |
| Miscellaneous | 761.77 | |
| Total | | $43,429.53 |
| Cash Balance, December 31, 1959 | | $1,794.04 |
| Accounts Receivable, December 31, 1959: | | |
| Commonwealth of Massachusetts: | | |
| November Claim | $1,429.00 | |
| December Claim | 1,255.97 | |
| Total | | $2,684.97 |
| Accounts Payable, December 31, 1959: | | |
| Food for December | $2,612.76 | |
| Miscellaneous for December | 91.54 | |
| Total | | $2,704.30 |

## ATHLETIC REVOLVING FUND
1959

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Balance, January 1, 1959 | $1,056.04 | |
| Receipts during 1959 | 716.25 | |
| Total | | $1,772.29 |
| Expenditures during 1959 | | 593.27 |
| Balance, December 31, 1959 | | $1,179.02 |

## HOW LARGE ARE OUR SCHOOLS?

| *School* | *Grades* | *1957 Sept.* | *1958 Sept.* | *1959 Sept.* | *Principal* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manasseh Cutler | K-3 | 755 | 800 | 503 | Marian C. Joseph |
| Winthrop | 4-6 | — | — | 341 | Edmund E. Dodge |
| Hamilton High | 7-12 | 307 | 365 | 425 | Peter N. Coffin |

## HOW MANY PERSONNEL WORK IN OUR SCHOOLS?

| | *1957* | *1958* | *1959* |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. of Administrative Personnel | 3 | 3 | 4 |
| No. of Secretaries | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| No. of Bookkeepers | — | — | 1 |
| No. of Clerks (part-time) | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| No. of Custodians | 4 | 4 | 5 |
| No. of Teachers | 43.4 | 45.4 | 50.4 |
| No. of Cafeteria workers | 9 | 9 | 10 |
| No. of Non-degree teachers | 15 | 13 | 12 |
| No. of Bachelor-degree teachers | 17.4 | 20.4 | 23.4 |
| No. of Master-degree teachers | 10 | 11 | 14 |
| No. of Doctor-degree teachers | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| No. of students | 1062 | 1165 | 1269 |

## MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1959

AGE

| Grade | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kdg. | 31 | 102 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 133 |
| 1 | | 18 | 117 | 10 | | | | | | | | | | | | 145 |
| 2 | | | 19 | 91 | 6 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | 117 |
| 3 | | | | 20 | 77 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | 108 |
| 4 | | | | | 30 | 62 | 14 | 2 | | | | | | | | 108 |
| 5 | | | | | | 22 | 71 | 15 | 8 | | | | | | | 116 |
| 6 | | | | | | | 32 | 68 | 14 | 2 | 1 | | | | | 117 |
| 7 | | | | | | | | 21 | 66 | 12 | 1 | | 1 | | | 101 |
| 8 | | | | | | | | | 25 | 56 | 8 | 9 | | | | 98 |
| 9 | | | | | | | | | | 18 | 30 | 5 | 5 | | | 58 |
| 10 | | | | | | | | | | | 19 | 31 | 8 | | | 58 |
| 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 37 | 3 | | 56 |
| 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 15 | 28 | 2 | 45 |
| Special | | | | | | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | 9 |
| Totals | 31 | 120 | 136 | 121 | 113 | 97 | 119 | 108 | 115 | 90 | 59 | 61 | 66 | 31 | 2 | 1269 |

## SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1959

| | *Boys* | *Girls* |
|---|---|---|
| Number between five and seven years of age | 144 | 137 |
| Number between seven and sixteen years of age | 540 | 457 |
| Totals | 684 | 594 |
| Total Census | | 1278 |

Distribution of the above minors, October 1, 1959:

| | |
|---|---|
| In the Public Day School | 1149 |
| In Vocational School | 4 |
| In Private School | 124 |
| In State and County Institutions and Special Schools for Defective Delinquents | 1 |
| Not enrolled in any day school | 0 |
| Total (should equal corresponding totals in the above registration) | 1278 |

# SELECTED REPORTS TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

## REPORT OF THE HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir:

It is with pleasure that I submit my fifth annual report as principal of the Hamilton High School.

### PART I
### IMPROVEMENT OF INSTRUCTION

*The Improvement of Instruction through the Development of New Units and Courses of Study.*

A. The faculty has continued in its efforts to establish in semi-permanent form the basic content of all courses offered in the high school. The purpose of this action is to create a point of departure for all future thinking and to establish consistency from one year to the next regardless of whether or not the same teachers are available. This process was initiated in the school year 1956-57 as the staff prepared for the evaluation of the high school by the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The following year brought the evaluation and this past year has seen the establishment of syllabi in outline form for all courses except those in science. The syllabi in science were postponed for two reasons: first the personnel in this department were needed to work on the mathematics syllabus; secondly it was thought best to wait a year to observe the developments in the science field which in the fall of 1958 was in a considerable state of upheaval.

B. Students in English III were given a chance to view a television presentation entitled "A Television Course in the Humanities." This course lasted for three weeks and was divided into three units. These units concerned Thornton Wilder's "Our Town," Shakespeare's "Hamlet," and Sophocles' "Oedipus Rex." The work done in the preparation of these programs under a Ford Foundation grant was superior and students and teachers were enthusiastic with the quality. The frustrations involved in not having time to fully discuss and explore the questions raised in one lesson before reviewing the next lesson pointed out the limitations of television as a teaching medium.

C. A fourth year of French was introduced as a separately scheduled class for the first time. Concentration was centered on spoken French, French history and culture, and modern French novels and art.

D. A course in Consumer Economics was re-introduced in place of Sales. The need for greater consumer understanding seems urgent. Much of the same material that was covered in Sales will be covered in the Consumer Economics course but it will be discussed from the opposite side of the counter.

E. In answer to the pleas of our college going graduates a Seminar in Composition was introduced for seniors in the fall of 1958. An effort was made to train these students to express themselves skillfully in all types of writing. The materials turned out by this class were excellent. Reports from this year's college freshmen indicate that those who took the course feel greatly benefited by it.

F. The Alexander Hamilton Chapter of the National Honor Society was re-established at Hamilton High in 1958 after a lapse of fifteen years. It was the opinion of the faculty that membership in this society was such a signal honor and carried such weight in all colleges that it should not be denied our own outstanding students. Installation into the society will take place in the fall and spring. Five seniors and two juniors were installed in the spring of 1959 and four seniors were installed in the fall of 1959.

*The Improvement of Instruction through Changes in Classroom Techniques*

Supervision has as its major purpose the improvement of instruction. As a rule this will consist of observations and suggestions for the improvement of techniques and materials. We are fortunate in having a staff of teachers who are well informed and constantly on the alert for new methods and materials. Many suggestions for improvement are initiated by these teachers rather than by the administration only. This past year some of the areas that have received special attention are:

A. An increased emphasis on the spoken language in French starting with French I but being stressed most heavily in French II, III, and IV.

B. An emphasis on the developmental aspects of reading in all grades but particularly in grades 7 and 8 rather than a consideration of literature as separated from the techniques of reading. In an effort to increase their understanding of the problems in this area the following people pursued courses in reading this past year: Miss Ruth Austen and Mrs. Katherine Nickerson, grade 8, Miss Therese D'Arche, grade 7, and Mr. Peter Coffin, principal.

C. The question of insufficient emphasis on writing in the American high school has been duly noted by our faculty. Particular stress has been placed on the return to more essay questions in place of the recently more common objective type question. The emphasis on writing will continue to increase in proportion to the amount of time that teachers can reasonably spend in the correction of papers. Solutions to this ever present problem are also being studied.

D. The staff is much disturbed by the lack in our curriculum of specific emphasis on speech. The art of oral communication and the ability to stand up in front of others to express oneself is a vital need in a democratic society. Space, time, and personnel are always a problem, of course, but we are attempting to overcome such problems by encouraging as much oral reporting as possible in classes. All teachers are being urged to have students get on their feet to recite whenever practicable.

E. The speed-up in the mathematics program in the high school is as much a result of improved techniques as it is in planned course content. The pace set by the teacher in the classroom has become a very rapid one. The average and better students naturally are better able to handle this than the less than average. Those who find it difficult to keep up are amply taken care of in a seventh period remedial class and after school. All the time that is needed to learn is offered each student by valuable class time is not lost because of the less apt.

*The Improvement of Instruction through Revision of the School Day*

A severe problem was encountered a year ago through the frequent changes that occurred in the daily schedule. Activity period twice a week changed the schedules of two days. The introduction of the television course upset the schedule for another six weeks. Opportunities to hear special speakers meant another day altered. The total result was generally upsetting and reduced instructional efficiency. In an attempt to resolve this situation a seven period day was set up for 1959-60. This was done without reducing the length of any of the regular class periods by more than five minutes. Time was taken out of the lunch period, home room periods, etc. Some of the advantages of this have been:

A. The creation of greater flexibility in the high school program enabling students to elect subjects which they might otherwise not be able to do. For example, extra laboratory periods are scheduled during period seven for physics, chemistry, and biology. This enables a student to take one of these courses out of the normal sequence even though he might have a conflict with the regular laboratory period. He can take his lab period seven, and work on after school if he desires to do so. Advanced students can take advantage of these special labs for their own work if they should so desire. A remedial math class has been set up daily during this period to encourage students to come for help who might be unwilling to come after school.

B. More students can take more activities. It is now possible to be in the glee club and on the yearbook staff as well. The glee club can rehearse on the stage instead of giving it up to the band. The band can call on a larger number of students since there will be less chance of a conflict of interests. An extra session of the science club has been scheduled. A math club has been organized. A separate instrumental group has been organized with time and a place to practice.

C. The teachers have found this additional time at the end of the day to be a great instructional boon. First of all it creates a more relaxed atmosphere through the week for the teacher does not work at full speed for six periods and then suddenly lose most of the students abruptly. The teachers feel that the seventh period enables them to taper off the day in a position to work with those students who, during the day, showed the need for the special help. The opportunities for make-up work are greater and less energy is spent trying to get pupils in after school for this type of work.

D. The guidance program has been able to move at a much better rate. Time is now available in each day to schedule special speakers, films, college admissions people, and the like without the problem of upsetting the schedule or interfering with academic classes.

E. The program has not worked as well for the junior high as the high school due to the difference in organization of junior high classes and the limitation of space. Even so, some special classes have been scheduled at this level. One section of the eighth grade has French twice a week. One seventh grade section uses this time for work on special reports and projects under teacher supervision. During this period there are scheduled the following regular classes: 2 science, 1 social studies, 1 reading. The activities open to these students are limited but include the science club (by special permission), the band, student council, and the art club.

Continued planning for the improvement of the school day goes on. Good instruction takes place under reasonable pressure. We attempt to balance the pressures with the most efficient use of time, space, and personnel.

## PART II

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

*Community Relations through News Releases*

It is the desire of the school to keep the public informed of what is going on in the classroom. Each week materials are written up by a group of students under the supervision of a student publicity director. These materials are submitted to the principal for approval before being sent on to the superintendent of schools. An attempt is made to concentrate on a different aspect of the school each week.

*Community Relations through Special Programs*

A. During National Education Week parents were invited to come to the school on the evening of November 9 to follow the program of their own sons and daughters in order that they might have a better understanding of the environment in which these boys and girls worked.

B. During the month of November an orientation program was held for seventh grade parents. The purpose of this orientation was to explain the problems that most seventh graders experience and to ascertain if there were any problems of which the school was not aware.

*Community Relations through Job Placement*

A. During the school year the guidance office handles routine contacts of students with baby sitting jobs, lawn mowing, etc. In addition, efforts are made to help graduates make proper contacts and to help prospective employers locate the right person for their needs.

B. College placement remains one of the main functions of the guidance department. This past year many members of the class of 1959 were accepted at various colleges and institutions of higher learning. Among these were:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Salem Teachers | 3 | Boston University | 1 |
| New Hampshire University | 2 | Colby | 1 |
| Dartmouth | 1 | Lowell Tech. Inst. | 1 |
| Wellesley | 1 | Wentworth Tech. Inst. | 3 |
| Bryn Mawr | 1 | Franklin Tech. Inst. | 3 |
| Connecticut College | 1 | Bradford Jr. College | 1 |
| Northeastern | 2 | Connecticut Jr. College | 1 |

It must be understood that members of this class are not attending all of these schools but only that they were accepted by them.

## SUMMARY

Very deep appreciation is extended to you, to the school committee, the faculty, staff, and the many town officials, and lay people without whose cooperation and assistance little progress could have been made.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER N. COFFIN

***Principal***

# REPORT OF THE WINTHROP SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir:

I would like to preface this formal report with this personal observation. In my brief period of service in the Hamilton Public Schools, I have enjoyed a great deal my associations with the children, parents, and school personnel of the community.

In the area of curriculum, one of the outstanding experiments this year is the teaching of French to all children in Grades 4, 5, and 6. Constant evaluation and thinking is going on in this area although it is too early to come to any definitive conclusions. Also in the curriculum field, a physical education program has been installed. It is the object of this plan to develop in the children good sportsmanship and better play skills and to improve their physical fitness.

Reading and Science curriculum groups have been established for a study of those two areas. These two committees will meet certainly for the remainder of this school year. The ultimate objective is to provide a curriculum guide in each area for Hamilton teachers' use.

The problem of homework has been given a great deal of consideration. There are factors on both sides of this problem but the general feeling is that there is value in good homework assignments.

The experiment of advanced group classes is continuing as planned. As with all educational problems, continual observation and evaluation is going on in this area. Included in the thinking of this problem is the consideration of not only the children in those advanced groups but also the children in our average classroom. Here again, it is too early to conclude anything.

Audio visual aids are daily playing a larger part in our school program. Movies, slides, tapes and records are being used whenever applicable and available. Our one need in this program is for an area sufficiently darkened to permit slides and movies for larger groups during daytime.

A total of three Open House programs have been held this school year up to the Christmas holiday.

Cooperation between combinations of pupils, teachers, parents, custodian, cafeteria staff, clerical staff and supervisors has been of the highest kind. With this continuing, there will remain an educational climate which is so necessary to achieve our ultimate objective, the instruction of Hamilton's public school children.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND E. DODGE
*Principal*

# REPORT OF THE MANASSEH CUTLER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my yearly report of the Manasseh Cutler School.

With the opening of the Winthrop School and the transferral of grades four, five and six, the Cutler School opened with a new setup: Kindergarten, grades one, two, and three, plus a small tutorial group.

Open House was again held this year during Education Week. On November 10th, we welcomed over three hundred fifty interested parents and friends who came to observe the children working at their regular daily program.

Previous to Open House Day, first grade teachers invited the parents of pupils in their classes to visit them in their respective classrooms on the evening of September 30th. The purpose of this meeting was first of all to meet the parents; then to show them the type of work their children were doing; to outline the program of the year and to give them an insight as to how reading and number work is introduced to these first graders. Parents were invited to ask questions which teachers readily answered.

A similar evening is being planned by teachers of both the second and third grades who consider this a very excellent way to acquaint parents with their program and also to promote good parent-teacher relationship.

News items from nearly every class are submitted each week for publication in local newspapers in order to let the public know some of the learnings being accomplished in our school.

New report cards submitted by Report Card Committee of the past year were used for the first time in November. The purpose of this card was to unify the marking system throughout the grades by using the symbols A, B, C, D and F instead of the S, U, and I previously used in the first three grades. We feel that with this type of report, the parent will get a better, clearer picture of his child's progress.

The Committee that worked on revision of our "Arithmetic Guide" presented us with a fuller, more complete outline of work which we feel will be of great help to us in our arithmetic program throughout the grades.

This year, committees have been formed who plan to revise both the Reading and Science guides.

The Science Fair which was held at our school on the evening of May 8th and was received so enthusiastically by the many parents and friends who viewed it has been a big incentive to our pupils. They are planning to hold their second fair this coming May. Of course, it will be on a much smaller scale as there will be participation only by Kindergarten classes through grades three.

Teachers at the Cutler School are striving to fulfill the needs of all children putting special emphasis on the "above average" and "below average" child.

In grades one the above average child is challenged to find out for himself. The rate of approach is faster, techniques more varied; vocabulary review far less; silent reading is done in larger units. Much additional reading is done. Phonics are expended to help the pupil become more independent. Harder, more thought provoking questions are given for independent seatwork which lays a more solid foundation for other class activities such as spelling and writing. The arithmetic program is expanded too, and more time is spent on problem solving. Less teaching time is spent with these pupils, but all work is carefully checked to see that each child knows and understands what he is doing. Emotional needs are met by providing leadership opportunities; pupil-teacher positions, chairman of committees such as deciding how to paint a mural, organize a bulletin board, guide other children in making a collection of pictures. The children who are more mature emotionally are properly challenged. Conversely the less endowed learn to follow directions and are motivated to try these positions. Providing a wide range of individual reading material is a necessity in order to serve all children.

The below-average child is given new work much more slowly, with a great deal of repetition, and techniques varied to keep his interest high. More oral questions are used to help the child learn to express himself more clearly and gain confidence in his abilities. This child is taken early in the day when he is fresh as he tires easily. Much phonic work is given him to help him become more independent. More teaching time is given this type of child. Seatwork is easier but a challenge to his ever-increasing ability.

In the second grades, some of the activities used for the above-average child are as follows: independent reading groups (for pleasure and oral facility), making lists of picture words (concrete nouns), later listing action words and descriptive words, book reports (oral and written), original stories from spelling words and pictures, much sentence work, educational games, extra credit work which includes booklets done independently in spare time, looking up information, and group projects in science, art, and other subjects.

For the below-average child in this grade much individual help in reading and phonics is given. Other activities are: more concrete experience with numbers, all seatwork geared to needs, educational games, good science nooks for them to examine and enjoy, making of word cards, and imaginative games played during reading groups.

The above-average child in the third grade is given opportunity to read widely, to seek information from encyclopedias, dictionaries, and other reference material, to develop individuality in creative writing by writing reports, making booklets, etc. Committee work, plus many activities mentioned in the other grades, are used in the third grade on a higher level. The below-average child in this grade is helped in much the same way as has been stated in the lower grades.

In all grades the superior child can be guided to look for himself but the slower learner needs the teacher to show him the way, to assure him that he is gaining the independence he needs and wants.

In conclusion, I would like to express to you, the School Committee, parents and teachers, my appreciation of their loyalty and support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. JOSEPH

*Principal*

# SCHOOL STAFF DIRECTORY

## TEACHERS — HIGH SCHOOL

| *Name* | *Subject or Grade* | *Appointment* | *Yrs. Experience* | *Education* | *Degree* |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Peter N. Coffin | Principal | 1955 | 9 | Tufts College | B.A., M.A. |
| Ruth Austen | English | 1945 | 15 | Radcliffe College<br>Boston University | A.B.<br>M.E. |
| Mary Bergman | Business | 1954 | 24 | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Edna Berry | Home Economics | 1957 | 3 | Framingham State Teachers Col. | B.S.E. |
| Richard Connolly | Business | 1959 | — | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Marie T. D'Arche | Grade 7 | 1956 | 5 | Regis College | B.A. |
| William Davis | Grade 7 | 1959 | 8 | Salem State Teachers College<br>Boston University | B.S.E.<br>M.E. |
| Natale Federico | Boys' Physical Ed. | 1955 | 15 | Rhode Island State | B.S. |
| Margaret Ferrini | Languages | 1956 | 10 | Radcliffe College<br>Salem State Teachers College | A.B.<br>M.E. |
| William Howat | Manual Training | 1956 | 10 | Fitchburg State Teachers Col. | B.S.E. |
| Roy H. Lane | Mathematics | 1958 | 33 | Bowdoin<br>Harvard | A.B.<br>A.M. |
| Robert McDonald | Grade 8 | 1959 | 4 | Boston College | B.S.E. |
| Martha Morrison | Girls' Physical Ed. | 1959 | 1 | Taylor University | B.A. |
| Wilton J. Moyer | Social Studies | 1949 | 19 | Mansfield Penn. Teach. Col. | B.S.E. |
| Kathryn Nickerson | Grade 8 | 1956 | 4 | Wheaton College | A.B. |
| John Reedy | English | 1959 | 4 | Gordon College<br>Gordon Divinity School<br>University of Maine | A.B.<br>B.D.<br>M.E. |
| Lois Rizoli | French | 1959 | 1 | Emmanuel College | A.B. |
| Richard Snow | Grade 7 | 1958 | 11 | Boston University | B.S., M.E. |
| Paul Staples | Science | 1957 | 7 | Tufts College | B.S., Ed.M. |
| Raymond Wallace | Science and Math. | 1956 | 7 | University of Maine | B.S., M.E. |

## TEACHERS — WINTHROP SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Edmund E. Dodge | Principal | 1959 | 8 | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| | | | | Boston University | M.E. |
| Ellen Duffy | Grade 6 | 1927 | 32 | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E., M.E. |
| Martha Lewis | Grade 6 | 1957 | 6 | Northeastern State College | — |
| Elizabeth Pauling | Grade 6 | 1957 | 5 | Salem Normal | — |
| James H. Dodge | Grade 6 | 1959 | — | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Thomas Conway | Grade 5 | 1958 | 1 | Keene Teachers College | B.E. |
| Esther Goddard | Grade 5 | 1952 | 24 | Salem Normal | — |
| Norman G. Pfaff | Grade 5 | 1958 | 2 | Boston University | B.S.E. |
| Constance Como | Grade 5 | 1959 | 2 | Lowell State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Margaret Batchelder | Grade 4 | 1920 | 39 | Salem Normal | — |
| Martha Libby | Grade 4 | 1959 | 4 | Simmons College | B.S. |
| Dorothy Jones | Grade 4 | 1953 | 19 | University of Vermont | B.E. |
| Pauline Wilson | Grade 4 | 1957 | 2 | Gordon College | B.S.E. |
| Marion Hanlon | French | 1959 | 5 | Boston University | B.A., M.A. |
| Ruth McCann | Remedial Reading | 1953 | 11 | Lesley College | — |

## TEACHERS — MANASSEH CUTLER SCHOOL

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Marian C. Joseph | Principal | 1921 | 38 | Salem Normal | — |
| Glory Hussey | Grade 3 | 1954 | 9 | Salem State Teachers College | — |
| Carolyn Lander | Grade 3 | 1950 | 21 | Gorham Normal | — |
| Nola Skillings | Grade 3 | 1959 | 5 | Eastern Nazarene College | B.S. |
| Annette Messenger | Grade 3 | 1959 | — | Bridgewater State Teachers Col. | B.S.E. |
| Eleanor Carr | Grade 2 | 1959 | — | Newton Col. of Sacred Heart | B.A. |
| Laura Clark | Grade 2 | 1957 | 5 | Syracuse University | — |
| Phyllis Cotti | Grade 2 | 1959 | — | Salem State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Nancy O'Brien | Grade 2 | 1959 | 5 | Gorham State Teachers College | B.S.E. |
| Nena Hayes | Grade 1 | 1952 | 9 | Oswega State Teachers Col. | A.B. |
| Elizabeth Kimball | Grade 1 | 1956 | 2 | University of Missouri | B.S.E., A.M. |
| Mary E. Lucey | Grade 1 | 1948 | 10 | Salem State Teachers Col. | B.S.E. |
| Carolyn Oster | Grade 1 | 1958 | 5 | Boston University | B.S.E. |
| Harriet Watson | Grade 1 | 1955 | 11 | Perry Kindergarten Normal | — |
| Harriet Erskine | Kindergarten | 1946 | 14 | Lesley Kindergarten | — |
| Carolyn McGarvey | Kindergarten | 1957 | 2 | Nyack Missionary College | B.S.M. |

## SUPERVISORS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rupert Lillie | Art | 1953 | 13 | University of Maryland | S.B. |
| | | | | Harvard School of Design | M.L.A. |
| Maude L. Thomas | Music | 1923 | 27 | Boston University | |
| Warren S. Freeman | Instrumental Music | 1956 | 3 | Boston University | Ed.D. |

## SCHOOL NURSE

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Irene K. Dankowski | | 1959 | 22 | Symmes Arlington Hospital | |

## SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Robert G. Love, M.D. | | 1955 | 5 | | |

## CLERKS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mary D. Crowell | High School | 1957 | 3 | | |
| Ann Marshall | Manasseh Cutler | 1958 | 1 | | |

## CUSTODIANS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alfred Edmondson | High School | 1959 | — | | |
| Vernal Pollard | High School | 1955 | 4 | | |
| Everett C. Welch | Manasseh Cutler | 1954 | 5 | | |
| Hovey Humphrey | Manasseh Cutler | 1942 | 16 | | |
| Fred Morris | Winthrop | 1953 | 6 | | |

## CAFETERIA WORKERS

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Clara B. Lane | Manager | 1957 | 2 | Simmons College | B.S. |
| Lillian Cullen | High School | 1957 | 2 | | |
| Ellena Foote | High School | 1959 | — | | |
| Loretta Tremblay | High School | 1946 | 13 | | |
| Margaret Back | Manasseh Cutler | 1943 | 16 | | |
| Nellie Knowlton | Manasseh Cutler | 1955 | 4 | | |
| Sadie Walker | Manasseh Cutler | 1957 | 3 | | |
| Marguerite Brumby | Winthrop | 1954 | 5 | | |
| Lois Piotrowski | Winthrop | 1955 | 4 | | |
| Frances Flynn | Winthrop | 1959 | — | | |

## BUS SUPERVISOR

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Madeline Freeman | 1956 | 3 |

## BUS CONTRACTOR

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## RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS, 1959

| *Name* | *School* | *Reason* | *Years of Service* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Edith Anderson | High | Retired | 40 |
| Harold Herber | High | Other Position | 4 |
| Cosmo T. Stefaney | High | Other Position | 1 |
| Eleanor Van Everen | High | Other Position | 2 |
| Winifred Sheehan | Manasseh Cutler | Other Position | 3 |
| Janice Herber | Manasseh Cutler | Other Position | 3 |
| Diana Walton | Manasseh Cutler | Other Position | 1 |
| Florence L. Stobbart | Nurse | Retired | 34 |
| Marybelle Dolliver | Cafeteria | Retired | 6 |

# FORTY-NINTH COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

## Hamilton High School
## Memorial Auditorium

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Thursday Evening, June 11, 1959
at Eight o'clock

PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL — "Pomp and Circumstance" *Edward Elgar*

INVOCATION Reverend James R. Whittemore

SELECTION — "You'll Never Walk Alone" *Richard Rodgers*

COMMENCEMENT THEME — "Toward Wider Horizons"

"Reading: The Magic Key" Nancy Page Garland

"Learning: Foundation for Success" Frederick J. Caldwell, Jr.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS:

American Legion Award

American Legion Scholarship Raymond Higgins
*Commander, A. P. Gardner Post 194, A.L.*

P.T.A. Scholarship William G. Clyde
*President, Hamilton P.T.A.*

Hamilton Teachers' Club Scholarship Margaret Ferrini
*President, Hamilton Teachers' Club*

Bausch and Lomb Science Award

D.A.R. Certificate

Danforth Foundation Awards

Jennie A. Mears Scholarship Peter N. Coffin
*Principal, Hamilton High School*

SELECTION — "This is My Country" *Al Jacobs*
*Soloist* — Elizabeth Fletcher Davis

PRESENTATION OF CLASS OF 1959 Peter N. Coffin
*Principal, Hamilton High School*

AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS Frederick J. Caldwell, Sr.
*Vice Chairman, School Committee*

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

## GRADUATES

Georgette Agganis
Patricia Mary Bane
Carole Anne Bigney
Paul Campbell Brumby
*†Frederick J. Caldwell, Jr.
Ellen Ann Carew
Carolyn Irva Chesley

William Maxwell Chute, II
Susan Cook
Francis Augustus Costello
Joan Marie Crowley
*Elizabeth Fletcher Davis
Robert Bruce Davis
Lois Diane Doucette

Stuart Clifford Dove, Jr.
William Philip Endicott
Sally Ann Faulkner
Edward Fielding, III
**†Nancy Page Garland
Warren Robert Gray, Jr.
David Scott Greeley

Margo Gail Hagerty
Linda Anne Imhof
Arline Frances Lightbody
*†Kathleen Ann Little
*Doris Shirley MacGregor
David Robert MacKenzie
Judith Ann McGeoghegan

*†Eileen Carol Mortimer
Peter Edmund Mycue
*Gail Janet Patenaude
*†George C. H. Perkins, Jr.
Richard Bradford Pickering
Donna Emily Pray
Bonnie Elizabeth Robertson

Patricia Ann Rollins
*Susan Elizabeth Slade
Ellen Florence Townsend
Louise Dodd Tremblay
Pauline Rose Trepanier
Louise Iola Vallone
Donald Charles Walke
William Francis Walsh, Jr.

**Highest Honors *Honors †National Honor Society

## AGE OF ADMITTANCE

Pupils entering the kindergarten in September must have been at least four years of age on January 1st preceding entrance in September.

Pupils entering the first grade in September must have been at least five years of age on January 1st preceding entrance in September.

## VACCINATION

Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter during the summer vacation, as certificates of vaccination or exemption must be presented at the opening of school to entitle children to admission.

## NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

As a matter of policy school will be in session whenever possible. When weather conditions are questionable parents are urged to exercise their own judgment as to whether their children are sent to school or not.

If it seems inadvisable to have school sessions, the following procedure for no-school signals will be observed. Radio stations WHDH, WBZ, WNAC, and WESX will be notified not later than 7:00 a.m. so that notification may be broadcast by them between 7:15 and 7:30 a.m. At 7:00 a.m. the no-school 22-22 will be sounded on the local fire alarm.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Subject to Change)

### 1960

| | |
|---|---|
| January 4 | Schools Open |
| February 19 | Schools close for February Recess |
| February 29 | Schools open |
| April 13 | Schools close for Spring Recess |
| April 25 | Schools open |
| June 24 | All schools close |
| | Summer Vacation |
| September 12 | Schools open |
| October 12 | Columbus Day |
| November 11 | Veterans Day |
| November 23 | Schools close at noon for Thanksgiving Recess |
| November 28 | Schools open |
| December 23 | Schools close at noon for Christmas Recess |

### 1961

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|---|---|
| January 3 | Schools open |

*"The longer I live the more keenly I feel that whatever was good enough for our fathers is not good enough for us."*

— Oscar Wilde

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